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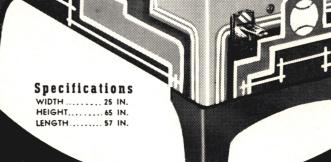


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We do not propose to go into a long discussion of these various methods of which we have made a most definite study throughout our nine years of publishing this magazine, but we do believe ONE very definite method of service is to "police" the industry being served when it becomes apparent that certain members are exceeding the ordinary bounds of general business practice and jeopardizing the business interests of others engaged in the same line of endeavor.

We had that thought in mind last month when we told you of a certain activity in the West where so-called music jobbers and distributors were "staking" operators' employees with new machines without a down-payment and using that procedure as a means of shaking down new sales from the operator himself.

We have investigated the activity completely and find that it has now spread to the vending machine field as well, with one Los Angeles outlaw manufacturer using "ALL of the tricks of the trade" in stuffing equipment down prospectiveoperators' throats at positively exhorbitant prices.

However, to confine ourselves to our first issue we want you to know that we have progressed admirably in our work to blot out this menace in the West. We have gathered together signed affidavits from operators who have been affected by this unnatural activity, we have notified manufacturer-suppliers of these outlaw jobbers and distributors . . . and furthermore, we have called on them in person and discussed this matter to a point that we feel there will be no more of it in the West.

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Paul Blackford

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Penny Arcades, Their Arrangement, Operation and Earning Possibilities 13

Perc Smith. a man who has spent a lifetime in advising Arcade Operators, lets down in this informative article and gives forth with a mint of valuable information.

Gotham Gets Outdoors

Irving Sherman, working out of THE REVIEW'S New York office, gives a true picture of outdoor operating as the summer session swings into full stride in the nation's largest city.

Man-Made Music-Making Monster 19

Little did Bob Seymour know that he had fathered a natural for Arcades and Sportlands. Right now said "Bojo" is touring Alaska but will presently be back in the States and ready for a personal appearance tour.

Maxwell House — An American Tradition 25

An out-of-the-industry feature that is of supreme interest. Everyone knows of Maxwell House Coffee. Here is an authentic account of its birth. Prepared, exclusively for THE REVIEW, by Robert A. Latimer.

What's Cookin'

Second Stanza of this popular feature. In this issue such well-known coinmen as Harry Block, Dave Robbins, Tony Mangano, F. H. Parsons and others let out with their favorite recipes.

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In this installment, devoted to Mexico City proper, Harold S. Kahm, noted business writer now in Mexico and Latin America Countries on a special editorial mission for this publication, gives forth some excellent leads for enterprising operators.

Cover -

This month's cover subject is beautiful Louise Stanley, Buckley Music System girl for 1941, and just recently the "Girl of the Month" for Chesterfield cigarettes. Louise hails from Springfield, Illinois, and has played leading roles in forty motion pictures. Her great-grandmother was one of the Todds, the historic family into which Abe Lincoln married when Mary Todd became his wife. Miss Stanley's proud bearing and striking charm are the direct results of this distinguished ancestry. Louise is now exclusively the Buckley Music System girl and coinmen will have the pleasure of seeing her face and figure throughout 1941. The portrait on this month's REVIEW is an exclusive subject especially made for this publication by the Bryde, Richard & Pound agency handling Buckley publicity. publication by the Buckley publicity.

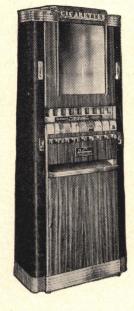
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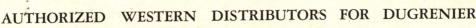
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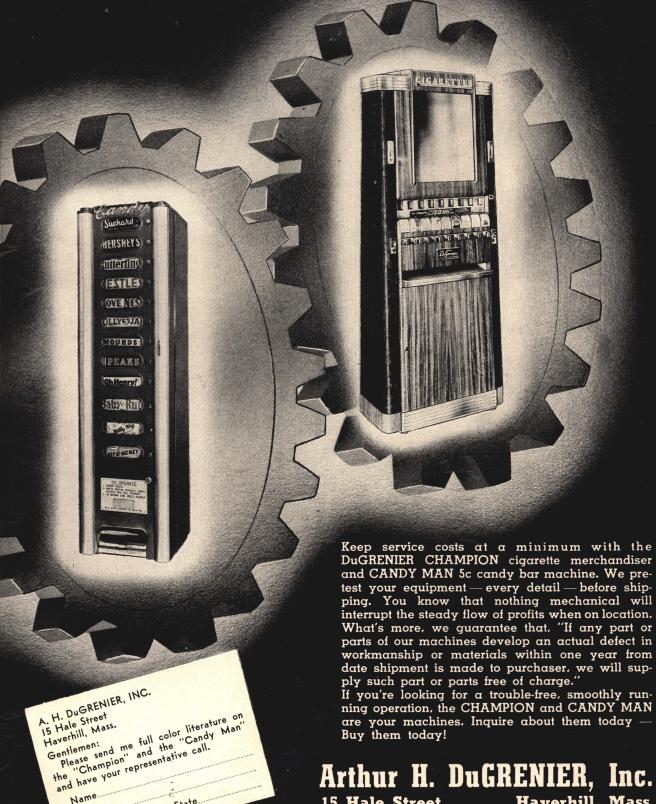


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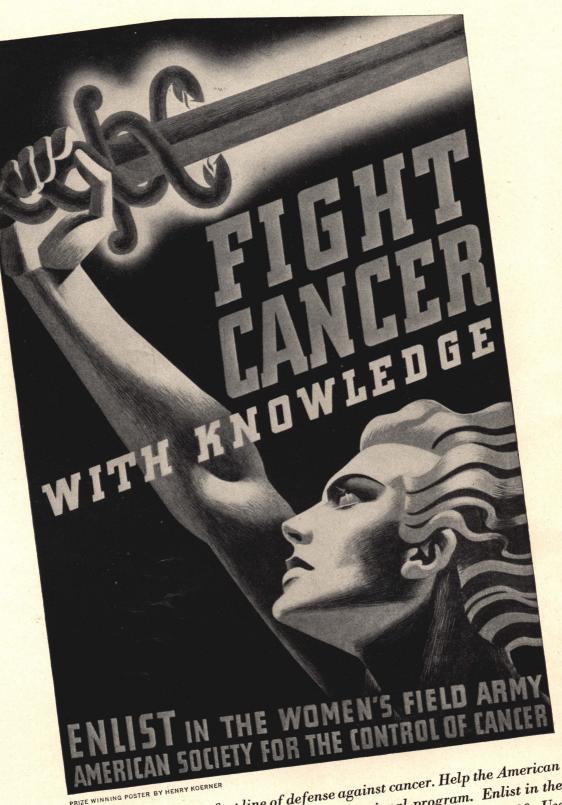
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PENNY ARCADES

Their Arrangement, Operation and Earning Possibilities

By PERC SMITH

Exhibit Supply Co. Sales Mgr., Arcade Division

There are several different types of Penny Arcades. The Main Street Arcade is a year 'round proposition. More and more of these spots are being opened up and operated successfully. The Amusement Park Arcade is a permanent setup, and the finest and largest Arcades in the country are of this type. They are found to be so profitable that such Arcades are generally owned and run by the park manage-

The Carnie Arcade is an outfit in a tent with a traveling show. The Free Lance Arcade is one where the owner has his outfit on a truck and dates street carnivals and local celebrations during the summer

The basic difference in these various types of Arcades is that the Carnie Arcade and the Free Lance Arcade take their machines to the public, whereas a Main Street Arcade and the Amusement Park Arcade bring the public to the machines.

As regards the arrangement of machines in Arcades, generally athletic or gym machines are at the back end of the layout; such machines as Punching Bag, Chin Machine, Bike Trainer, Fist Striker, Ham-mer Striker, Foot Ease Vitalizer, and others. Along the side walls are arranged the Post Card Vendors, Cockeyed Circus, Drop Picture machines, small Meters, Whatsis, and three Wheels of Love, and all other small amusement devices that can be set on counters or benches. Scattered around the middle of the Arcade are the large fun devices such as Kiss-O-Meter, Magic Heart, Ramasees, Smiling Sam, Diggers and similar full length floor models.

An important necessity is the cashier's desk where the owner or attendant makes change — hands out the pennies in exchange for "white money"— nickels, dimes, and quarters. This desk is usually placed well to the front but in the center, so that a close watch can be kept over the crowds at all times. On Carnie Shows some tents have the opening long way, whereas other owners prefer to have the opening, or entrance, on the end. No two fronts are alike, every manager having his own idea of what kind of a display will stop the crowds and pull them in. Names for Arcades are as varied as the front display: Penny Won-derland; Funland; Squint Land; Penny Arcade, free, walk in; Joyland; Fun for a Penny; Playland Squintorium and Amuse-ment Palace.

During the last two seasons, big advances have been made in lighting effects - neon signs in colors are used extensively outside and inside the arcade. To keep pace with outside illumination, electric display signs are now built into modern amusement machines. There is nothing like bright colored light effects to attract and hold the crowds. One well known showman, when in Chicago, bought a complete equipment for making neon signs, and also took back home with him a skilled neon workman. Since then his Arcade has become one of the most talked of on the road for "flash" and "bally-hoo."

What's the earning power — how much will an Arcade take in? That's the main question with the man considering such an enterprise. I have talked over this matter with old timers as well as men who started recently. The very fact that there is a general reluctance to give out earning data indicates that the profits are good enough not to broadcast. I remember one day last summer when Mrs. Smith and I accepted an invitation to look over the Arcade on a well known Carnie visiting Chicago. I have known this Arcade Manager for a long time. I stood alongside his glass enclosed cashier stand and watched him hand out the little piles of pennies through the small arched windows in the glass. It kept him hustling. The arcade was crowded and it looked like every machine was getting a play. Later his wife took over and he walked with us around the carnival. Finally I asked him what he figured the "take" would be for that day.

He guessed it around \$250. His Arcade consists of about 75 machines in a 30' x 50' top (tent). It is quite usual for an up-todate arcade to take in several times its cost the first year.

The day after last Labor Day, Jack Murray with Beckmann & Garety Shows, wired me as follows: "The Kiss-O-Meter had 3,207 people try it Labor Day." This seems almost incredible, but the telegram was volunteered. We have received many other expressions of unusual Kiss-O-Meter earnings. The three little Meters are also great favorites with the public. "Those three small Meter machines grossed \$27.30 the first four days," testifies S. W. Lake, Gold Medal Shows. "I took \$33.40 out of three little Meters for two days play," claims G. A. Skinner, Penny Arcade Navy Pier, Chicago. A Punching Bag will average \$10 to \$15 a day in a live spot. The above earnings are mentioned to give the reader an idea of the possibilities of arcade machines.

It's the universal opinion of Arcade Managers that of all penny machines, post card venders get the most consistent play from the public. Business ethics forbid revealing the big quantity of Exhibit cards purchased yearly by well known Amuse-ment Parks and Carnie Companies. Sufficient to say there is not an up-to-date arcade that has not got a battery of from ten to twenty-five of these popular penny

For the small amount of investment required, there is no other equipment that fills more space, makes bigger flash, or earns more steady pennies, than a line of Card Vendors, and it's been proven over and over again that these Card Vendors are the backbone of the Penny Arcade business. The main reason for their success is the continuous introduction of original and attractive cards. Frank Wittlinger, penny arcade manager, writes: "An Arcade cannot get along without Exhibit Post Cards, They are the best advertisement I

There never has been a time when penny arcades had the opportunity they have today. One reason is because of the tremendous quantity of pennies in circulation, and a Penny Arcade is the only place on the midway where pennies can buy fun and plenty of it. Another reason is that prosperity is increasing. People have odd change to spend again — at summer resorts, beaches, picnics, town celebrations, on vacations, automobile trips, around Army Cantonments - everywhere you find the crowds is a good spot for a Penny Arcade.

The spenders are coming, so work fast. Our concern (Exhibit Supply Co.) will be glad to send interested readers layouts for model arcades, as well as to discuss the entire Penny Arcade subject with those who may be considering going into this more and more profitable branch of coin machine operation.



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Collignon was brought before the Board after he had been arrested and convicted on the charge of operating a "gambling device." His hearing, following the usual routine, was to determine whether he had imperiled his liquor license. Then Judge Cole learned of what the "gambling" consisted. The Board dismissed the case.

The Navy Bally Well Likes Its Beverage

NEW YORK - The lads in blue rallied round five Bally Beverage Vendors on the U. S. S. North Carolina and consumed over 1200 drinks the first day, according to officials of Standard Beverage Corporation. An official of the large operating organization, with headquarters in this city, stated that four additional vendors were immediately placed aboard the vessel. So now nine machines are doing a rushing business furnishing high quality, perfectly carbonated beverages to the naval crew manning the North Carolina and the civilian corps doing the final construction work.

"It must be difficult to eat soup with a mustache."

"Yes, it's quite a strain."

Best 10 Words Floors Colby

NEW YORK — Frank Colby of the Bell Syndicate didn't know what he was getting into when he asked newspaper readers through his special syndicated feature to send in what they considered the ten most beautiful words in the English language.

Naturally opinions varied considerably but top honors for orginality went to a chap in Texas who selected: "coin, spondulics, long green, cash, filthy lucre, dinero, shekels, mazuma, dough, folding money."

Scouts Thank **Bay Coinmen**

SAN FRANCISCO — Thanks of Frank Coughlin, Scoutmaster, the committeemen, and members of Troop 101 of Daly City, Calif., have been extended to Ed Heinle and Al Armos of Golden Gate Novelty Co. for the donation of two marble games for use in the troop's private club room by troop

C. G. Gesner, troop committee chairman, wrote: "After watching the boys last evening playing the games, we came to the conclusion that a pin-ball game can really be played purely for fun and excitement. Some of the boys actually developed considerable skill at it.

"It is a shame that such an enjoyable game as these modern pin-ball games should have to suffer just because youngsters have been allowed to loiter around them in a few public places.'

Indication is that permitting this group of boys to play in their own private quarters without need for coins will keep at least that group away from games installed in

public places.

Al Armos, who owns and operates Golden Gate Novelty Co. and who made the gift possible, is a member of the board of rectors of the Amusement Merchants' Association of San Francisco, and the letter of thanks which came to him in this instance is, according to Sidney Mackin, the association's managing director, typical of those being received at his office in connection with the organization's program of cooperation with the various civic bodies.

New Bowling Game Readied by X. L.

BOSTON-Tally-Bowl, a new manuallyoperated bowling game, has been introduced to the trade by Maurice Kushner, president of X. L. Coin Machine Co., Inc. Unique in that it is operated from the rear position and not from the orthodox front position as in usual bowling, so that the ball spins through a hoop effect and then onto the playing field giving tremendous speed action to the play, makes the game much more interesting, Kushner asserts.

Twenty feet long and three feet wide, the easily-locatable game comes in seven simple put-together-units for easy moving from one location to the next, Kushner declares.

Many leading arcade men who have seen it are reported to be arranging for entire batteries of the machine during the coming season, and one such operator declared he believed Tally-Bowl would earn more money for him than any other equipment he now

GOTHAM GETS OUTDOORS

... and finds operators have already provided for their summer enjoyment via the coin chute route

By IRVING SHERMAN

Towering beehives of offices, crowded flats, dingy stores as well as smart ones, and a vast, teeming population elbowing its way through the world's largest city-New York. And when spring and summer come, your New Yorker is not far behind. He gets right out in the open as much as he can, and Gotham's coinmen, taking the hint, have gotten there first.

Our old friend, the penny arcade, is back in full blast on the sidewalks Al Smith made famous. Starting at old Tammany Hall's stamping ground—Fourteenth Street and stretching up to Fiftieth and Broadway, heart of the theatrical district, the arcade has dusted itself off to hold its own with the best of 'em, from Mutoscope movies to Gypsy fortune teller, name-plate maker, punching bag, lung-tester, and that real old wheeze, the electric shocker to fill the rundown

veins with juice.

But it isn't quite the same. There are marble tables galore, and here's a new contraption, a rocket-to-the-moon, maybe. No, the attendant, his coins jingling, says it's a Sky-Fighter, the thing the R.A.F. uses to talk to Hitler.

The arcade, we've been told, is the poor man's home. By the same token, homes for the poor are on the increase in Gotham, and the tendency is to give the player a run for his money, a bona fide thrill, a real test of his skill. The jump from Fourteenth to Forty-second Street is short, and here, sandwiched be-tween one of Ziegfeld's old hang-outs and Jimmy Cagney talking out of the side of his

mouth, is something that won't let you down. With a flea circus on one hand, and on the other baseball's Alexander the Great and Jack Johnson proclaiming Joe Louis is a bum whom he could lick with one hand if given a chance, the coin machine comes through with a lustre and appeal all its own There's no barker, and none is needed. All you do is follow the crowd and you're in.

A goodly share of Sky-Fighters are here as a sort of pièce de resistance, and just to show there's no hard feeling, an enterpris-ing chap named Gordon has moved in nearby and outfitted an emporium specializing in these devices.

On Sixth Avenue, the prodigal son come to life, is the arcade run by Al Marin, who matter-of-factly states he is competing with Rockefeller—and to prove it, diagonally across are the Center Theatre, the new Roxy, and Rockefeller Center itself, with millions of dollars of entertainment stacked up against the little spot on the left side of the street—and doing a solid job.

Arcades in New York are somethingthese only sketch the whole group they are not the whole story of the outdoorplay market. Scale machines, of course, predominate in the outdoor picture, adjacent to subway entrances, barber poles, and other likely eye-catchers and pedestrian-pullers. Then, numerically, follow the candy machines-sleek, competent merchandisers by Canteen, du Grenier, Stoner, Rowe, U-Need-A-Pak, and others. Handkerchief and perfume vendors traditionally still hug terminals and other large centers, yet in Manhattan some 6000 vending machines other than the units mentioned are registered in outdoor spots. Out of 16,000 games in Manhattan and the Bronx alone, and extending into the southern tip of Westchester, 1500 have found outdoor spots and more are being placed. In Brooklyn, the register of about 11,000 games find 1100 placed easily for pedestrian play.

An appeal to adult taste characterizes the outdoor coin machine location of today, in contrast with the old idea of catching the

BLITZKEDE



Upper right: Feed the ducks! A Mills Vendor in the Bronx Park makes it right feeding. Above: Seventh Avenue and an educational blitzkrieg. Below: Next to the Amsterdam, an old Ziegfeld theatre — coin machines pull them in.





children. The psychology in this is characteristic of the industry throughout the country. As a result a few operators have tried their luck with gum, candy and pistachio vendors in locations where the adolescent is an infrequent visitor—in liquor stores, for example—placing them where

they offer no obstruction but where they can be easily observed by the location owner. A simple device for this purpose is a mirror so hung that with his back turned the owner can watch machine and customer, and even the machines outside, as a precaution against undue

Operators are more or less unanimous that one of the reasons for the increasing spread of outdoor vending, both in games and merchandisers, is greater mechanical perfection. In olden days a standard comedian used to gag: "I was in the subway this morning, when all of a sudden a big husky guy topples right over." And the stooge: "What happened? Did someone hit him?" Comedian: "No. He put

a penny in one of them gum machines and a piece of gum came out."

No more! The machines click off like Father Time—and your money comes back if the merchandise is gone. So the machines move outdoors, to stand alone, and on their own bases.

Perhaps one of the most interesting strides taken in outdoor vending is the machine Mills Novelty has installed in the Bronx Zoo—not for the visitors, but for the ani-mals—whereby the Zoo sought to nab both birds with a single stone.

Kind-hearted visitors have been the bane of the park for years because what you think a seal wants to eat and what the seal thinks it wants are two different things. The Bronx Zoo has lost many an animal through the crackpots who offered the inhabitants such tid-bits as rubber balls and pearl buttons, and such conscientious but misguided souls as believed lollypops and chocolate drops were good for stomachs requiring vegetables or fish. Finally a new administration decided to do something about the evil, and at the same time solve the Zoo's budget problems.

The answers are the graceful, red-painted vendors supplying bags of food for a nickel.

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Machines near certain groups of the Zoo's denizens contain the correct foods for these groups, and the stuff goes like hot cakes. On Sundays and holidays the machines have to be refilled every hour on the hour, Zoo authorities have stated.

Thus goes the trend of outdoor coin machine vending in New York. With manpower becoming scarcer, retailers and the general public requiring more goods in shorter time with less fuss, distraction and possible wrong-changing accompanied by sharp words, there is every indication that the coin machine, as a direct answer to consumer interest, will gain momentum in the days to come.

Sassoon Donates Game Receipts

CHICAGO — Sir Victor Sassoon, noted multi-millionaire of the Orient, one of the four richest men in the world, member of British nobility, after reading the article regarding his purchase of Daval counter games for operation in some of his outstanding business interests in the Orient, reported that one correction should be made in this story to the effect that these Daval counter games are now being operated for relief purposes, all the coin they take in being donated to the British War Relief Fund at the present time.

He also reports that when the machines go into operation in the Orient the money that they will take in will be entirely donated to the Red Cross there. Sir Victor is of the hope that a large number of these machines will be operating in the Orient so that the money received from this operation will prove of immeasurable aid to

the Red Cross.

At the present time, machines which he has already purchased from Daval's Pacific Coast representative, Mac Mohr, are being operated for the British War Relief Fund. The monies taken in by these machines are given to this fund. The entire operation of Daval counter games at present is for this charitable purpose. According to officials of the Mac Mohr Company, "Sir Victor is mighty pleased with the machines he has already purchased and is also much impressed with their earning power. It is his hope that they will prove of great help to the British War Relief Fund and also to the Red Cross in the Orient when he sends the machines there for that purpose.

Sloganeer

LOS ANGELES—Bon G. MacDougall, executive in the old Pacific Mfg. Corp., during its heyday of coast manufacturing, has suggested a new slogan for patriotism in production centers as a means of preventing sabotage. Offers MacDougall:

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The horoscope of James A. Gilmore, secretary of the Coin Machine Industries, Incorporated, reveals many interesting if highly contradictory qualities. Born February 1st, with the Sun in Aquarius, he is a very modern, progressive individual—apt to be quite unconventional in his ideas and judgment. Very humanitarian and philosophical, he nevertheless has strong likes and dislikes. Active in reforms, progressive in ideas, highly intuitive, he is apt to have a complete disregard for public opinion—were it not for the fact that he has the Moon in Virgo, which adds a totally different and highly contradictory vibration.

This confers unusual power of discrimination, with a tendency towards ultra-conventionality and conservatism. He is apt to give too much attention to relatively unimportant details—to worry about many things that never happen,—a quality that is entirely opposed to the unconventional aspects of "Aquarius."

Mars, the planet of force and activity also in Aquarius, adds great originality, quick wit, a scientific viewpoint; it makes him impulsive in manner and speech, and at times rash, headstrong and abrupt. Fond of literature and philosophy, occult studies and science generally, Mr. Gilmore is ambitious, enterprising and independent. His opinions are fixed—not readily changed by others, and when he does make a change, it is usually a quick one, and undergone quite suddenly and abruptly.

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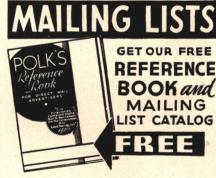
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It is curious and interesting that Aquarius rules machinery and modern inventions, and certain aspects in the natal constellation of Mr. Gilmore give him unusual ability as a director, with a responsible position in connection with the promotion of large organizations. He undoubtedly has a great many friends, and is what is known in ordinary parlance as a "good mixer"—attracting and holding the goodwill of many people in every walk of life—inferior as well as superior.

Mercury in Capricorn favorably aspected by several other important planets in his natal constellation, adds a serious, thoughtful, practical quality, with unusual ability for organization and stick-to-it-ive-ness.

This natal constellation for Mr. Gilmore promises unusual achievement. However, he should know just what to expect and when —so that he will be adequately prepared for these important promotions which are so clearly indicated.



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An Open Letter to Frank A. Munsey Co., Publishers, 'Detective Fiction Weekly'

The famous old once-reliable publishing firm of Frank A. Munsey Co. has fallen, dragging the coin machine industry through a smear of "crime syndicate whose tentacles have reached from Maine to California and from Miami to Seattle . . . a syndicate that has formed an unholy alliance with corrupt police officials, crooked politicians, small shopkeepers and even respectable, legitimate businessmen; a syndicate whose sales methods have included blackmail, intimidation, bribery and murder."

And as the coin machine industry has been maligned, so too have the men in it been called "hoodlums, petty gangsters, punks and criminals who had depended upon bootlegging for a livelihood (and) were forced to turn elsewhere to find a source of easy money."

Seventeen-year-old "Detective Fiction Weekly" — which is old enough by now to know better — is the source of information that the whole country has been divided into territories under powerful "czars," that pin-ball games are the creations of genius (with which we won't argue), that there is less chance of winning from a pin-ball game than from a slot machine, and that all games are dishonest. Murder is pinned onto the exposè.

So exaggerated are the claims, the misstatements of fact published under "Hobbies in Crime" on page 49 of the May 3 issue, that one might ignore the whole thing—except for the fact that the magazine, which has had a reputation for good detective fiction, must often get into hands of youngsters who will be encouraged to crime attempts through this channel and, even worse, into the hands of smarter people liking to relax with detective stories who will, as a result of the charges against the coin machine industry, do everything possible to wipe it out.

It is evident that the writer of this piece in "Detective Fiction Weekly" made no honest and conscientious investigation of the true nature of the coin machine industry. Nor did the publishers, apparently, care whether he wrote truth or lie, so long as the material was sensational enough to help sell the magazine on the newsstands.

Certainly every field has its black sheep. The publishing industry is no more an exception than the coin machine industry. But by and large coin machine operators are, themselves, businessmen, concerned not with graft but with the problem of making an honest living, and interested in their own homes' and communities' betterment.

We sincerely invite the editors of "Detective Fiction Weekly" to investigate for themselves the exact status and conduct of the coin machine business so that, by publishing a retraction of this erroneous article, they may once more hold up their heads as being truthful.

And we challenge all operators associations within hearing who resent being called "hoodlums, petty gangsters, punks and criminals," to write their protests at once to William T. Dewart, president, The Frank A. Munsey Co., 280 Broadway, New York City, giving him the honest facts about this industry.

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RAF Eagles to Get American Eagles

CHICAGO—The American Eagle squadron of Britain's Royal Air Force soon will have another member—one of The Daval Co.'s American Eagles—to be sent through Al S. Douglis in the hope that the American volunteers will get some real fun out of the token payout counter game with its new Defense reels and that it will somehow help the boys to "carry on the great job that they are doing for all of us."

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Man-Made Music-Making Monster!

by Louis Karnofsky

TEN years ago Bob Seymour of Seattle divided his time between electrical work and rigging up mechanical displays for retail firms. The electrical work he took in stride; the mechanical displays he lavished with every ounce of ingenuity and skill he could muster, because that was Bob Seymour's all-devouring passion. His goal was to mould a device which would be perfect in every respect.

At that particular time he had just installed a display in a local appliance store, consisting of a woman bent over a tub

washing clothes. Being new, the joints required lubrication, so Bob went into the front window, lifted the wash lady's dress, and oiled away.

He finished his task, and dropping the dress, crept out. A neighbor woman chanced to be passing just then. For a moment she stood frozen in her tracks, eyes wide. When the shock had sunk When all the way home, she whirled around and made tracks for Bob's home.

That evening the missus greeted him with both hands on hips and a stony glare in her eye. Who was that woman you were with?" she deshe demanded.

Whereupon, Bob came through with the 1,734th version of that ancient gag,

by replying:
"That was no woman; that was my dummy."

Even a decade ago, his brain-chil-

dren had the mark of realism stamped on

Four years ago, Bojo was born-not in the depths of the African jungle, but in Bob Seymour's fertile mind. The most ambitious project a coinman ever attempted required three-and-a-half years to complete, 1,000 hand-made parts. 5,028 hours of skilled effort, and cost \$5,000.

Such a remarkable job did this 43-yearold inventor do that Bojo could probably return to the jungle right now and fool nine-tenths of the living anthropoids.

Bojo sits on a log in his cage and plays a concertina. Nothing unusual in that, you say? Well, Bojo tosses his head, rolls his eyes, twitches his ears, and keeps time

with his feet. Bojo blinks, winks, moves his ears, wrists, elbows, fingers, and sticks out his tongue. Bojo smokes a corncob pipe filled with honest-to-goodness tobacco; and the music he plays comes directly out of the accordion clutched in his two hairy

A slightly inebriated gentleman stood watching Bojo while on display at the Fun Palace, Seattle arcade. For perhaps 35 or 40 minutes, this chap stared intently. Every move, every twitch was observed with the closest scrutiny. Cautiously the spectator

stituted. Every whisker and hair on the face were glued on individually. The bloodshot effect in Bojo's eyes-a remarkable duplication of the real thing-was attained through hours of mixing paints to match the color of blood veins. The accordion is of paper mache, treated with a special process finish. The log he sits on is of wood, with pieces of bark glued on. His teeth are hand carved and sharp. "Naturalness" was the keynote religiously adhered to in every conceivable way.

A zipper in the back opens to 200 pounds of mechanical gadgets. Just looking at them is enough to induce dizziness. Carving them, piece by piece; fitting them, screw by nut, is a Herculean feat. Only the automatic Wurlitzer record changer and the electric motor are manufactured

During the last Christmas season, Frederick & Nelson-leading department store in Seattle-hired Bojo for a three-day exhibition. Several anxious mothers pulled

their children away from the overgrown chimpanzee with the admonition: "Don't get too close!"

But there was no protective railing, and as the crowds edged nearer, their fears melted. Souvenir hunters unjointed three fingers and gleefully added them to their collection.

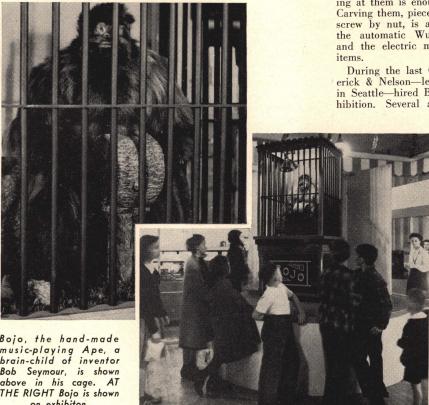
Bojo represents a complete loss to moths, as he has been thoroughly demothed. He plays twelve accordion numbers — either continuously or with selective coin chute. His winks and blinks and stamps and struts can be either

speeded up or slowed down to match the tempo of the musical selection.

Such a furor did this relative of the Great Ape cause, that the Seattle Post Intelligencer dispatched Doug Welch, their ace reporter, and a cameraman. The story and accompanying picture occupied a three-column spread in the November 10,

Carnivals have clamored for an opportunity to borrow Bojo for their shows, but a sentimental attachment has grown between creator and product. Bob Seymour would suffer acute heart-break were Bojo to be out of his sight for any length of time.

Right now Bojo and Bob are touring Alaska on a 30-day jaunt, in the interests



Boio, the hand-made music-playing Ape, a brain-child of inventor Bob Seymour, is shown above in his cage. AT THE RIGHT Bojo is shown on exhibiton.

> moved closely. Gingerly, he put a hand inside the cage and felt the fur-covered hide. The body was cold. Disillusionment overcame the one-man audience. "Hell," he spat disgustedly, "this dammed thing is a fake!"

> Prior to starting work on his favorite step-child, Seymour spent several months looking at photographs of gorillas. He studied them from every angle and in every shape and form. Several heads were constructed before one was tapered to fit the exacting blueprint.

> All features had to be proportioned along the lines of a living animal. Bojo's first dress was a deer hide, but that color was too light; so a genuine bear skin was sub-

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of Earl Heroux, Bob's boss. If you hear of any Eksimeaux keeling over or suddenly going berserk, it will probably be the result of Bob Seymour's handiwork.

After Alaska may come a movie debut. Can you imagine Comedian Lew Lehr squawking, "Monkeys is the cwaziest people" and then going into his screwy dialogue while Bojo goes through the gyrations? Man, it's a natural.

But Inventor Seymour is not content with his protege. Perfection is still his goal. What, you are probably asking, is there left to perfect on this jungle-fugitive—do you expect him to climb trees?

Well, don't be surprised if that comes to pass. Meanwhile, Bob Seymour is working on a mechanical bellows for insertion in Bojo's chest. With that installed, Bojo will breathe just like you and I and every normal human being—and then you'll have to prove he's not human to win your point.

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American Eagle Blitzkreigs With Defense Reels

CHICAGO — Tanks! Parachutes! Machine Guns! Anti-aircraft Guns! Those are the things the American public 'goes for'. Al. S. Douglis of the Daval Company, leading counter game manufacturer, disclosed today that this demand has caused a speeding up of production on the Defense Model American Eagle. "This past week," confided Douglis, "we found that the demand was getting beyond our production schedule and therefore re-adjusted our production system to step up the assembly and the manufacture of the parts necessary for the Defense Model American Eagle.

"However," Douglis hastened to add, "that doesn't mean we have taken men away from assembling Marvels, Cubs and Aces and our famous '21' machine. Representatives of publications devoted to increasing the interests of location owners in many fields have been calling at our offices and have advised me that the counter games manufactured by our firm have been, in large measure, responsible for making the counters of many locations profitable. These representatives knew our games al-

most as well as we did. They named American Eagle, Marvel, Cub and Ace and our new '21' as actual lifesavers for many of the storekeepers to which their publications cater."

Douglis philosophized that the North and South certainly do join forces when it comes to praising the Daval "21' machine. "From the rocky coast of New England to the palms of Florida, throughout the South and into the Southwest, from the gentle Pacific to the Northwest pine country and the Midwest, then down through the industrial regions of the Atlantic Seaboard states, distributors define the "21' game as the greatest counter game of the year," said Douglis. "One distributor wrote us, "This game is going to become one of the standard counter games of the industry. Operators try it and come back for more'."

The '21' machine has a rival, however, according to Douglis and that is Marvel, Daval's three reel cigarette action token payout counter game. "I could quote you the things said by leading distributors about Marvel for 24 consecutive weeks and it would take a lot of quoting" declared the Daval Company official. "But, as a sample, Bill Marmer of Sicking, Inc., and Si Lynch and Ed Furlow of the Electro-Ball Co. tell me that once Marvel is placed on location, only a cyclone or an earth-quake would remove it. Marvel seems to have that certain undefinable something for making a game stick on location that happens once in a great while. It may be the token payout unit with its mystery award feature. Whatever the reason, we're proud of Marvel's record!"

Mechanics Prof.: "Name a great time-

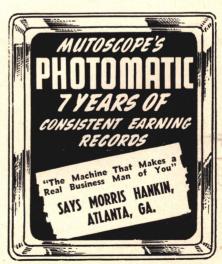
Sophomore: "Love at first sight."

Uncle (to young nephew)—Well, son, I saw you saying your prayers last night. Do you say them in the morning and afternoon, too?

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SAN FRANCISCO (RC)—The tempo of business is on a very wholesome plane. All lines are doing an outstanding job of securing their share of the day's heightened opportunities while at the same time contributing to the basic needs of the national urgency.

Pinball games in particular have been riding on the high crest of the defense boom. Profits have been especially good, steady and general. New locations are being signed up apace without lessening effect on the sites of older established play.

As an aftermath of the splendid job done for California operators by San Francisco Amusement Merchants' Association manager Sid Mackin in directing a major flank in the campaign to quash the legislative bill outlawing all automatic amusement games and devices, the distributor and operator picture is running smoothly on a long term scale.

Music carries on in a flourishing manner. Wurlitzer stays in stride. Mape's Seeburgs continue to move off the sales floor at a big business clip. Fred Neumann's Rock Olas, the Gibraltar of Rex Vending's dividends, do a big league job of tugging at topflight music operators' heartstrings and purse strings alike. Towers are here to stay. And of paramount pertinence to the general music picture is the flow of Warren Taylor's Mills Empresses. They're show pieces and prize profit packers. All models of bar and wall boxes are participating in a steady share of operators'

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The last word in smart operating showmanship is this eye-catching Photomatic studio in Lakeside Park, Denver, Colo. More and more operators are reported going in heavily for International Mutoscope's Photomatic operations, realizing its remarkable power as an all-year-round moneymaker everywhere.



money—though nothing like the heydeys of six months ago.

Newest jobber and distributor to join the row along Golden Gate Avenue is the Noto Brothers' (Joe and Carl) Operators Exchange at the corner of Franklin St. The Notos have long been known as among the first operators of the area, handling both games and music. In their present venture they are still holding on to their established locations, but are turning the heat of their extensively regarded personality to the end of building up distributing and service following as well. The Review joins with the majority of Bay area comrades in doffing our collective hats in wishing the Exchange success.

One thing about Oakland, if you expect to find a good report about business you're never let down because things have been on the up and up there for as long as I can remember. George Bates speaking for the clan claims business as juicy as Pismo clams and as busy as ten toads in a teacup.

Lou Wolcher was in town last month, it's said (Heine vouching). But what or whether or whither zee beezinees she am booming. Lou simply has the 'touch'—and, apparently it works whether he's there or not! Page Yuhudi.

Johnny Ruggiero ought to have a big hand—his grip on popularity is so conspicuous. Hence, Jack Moore's Bally stand is doing a prime business in pronto time all the time.

Maurice Pollard, top domo of Map Sales, has a system all his own. When you see him he's supervising the packing of plenty of pick and pet games. When you don't see him you know he's out plinking for plums. Results? You can almost always see two trucks in front of Morry's taking capacity loads.

Al Roberts dropped into the Wolf Sales Home office a few days ago. He's the Denver sensation of prideful father Wolf Reiwitz and brother Chick. Wurlitzer's the Winner out the Denver headquarters way—and How!

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Location Owner Threatens Dizzy Dean's Throne

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Irvin Blumenfeld of the General Vending Service Co., this city, distributor for the Scientific Batting Practise, declares "The machine is one of the most exciting ever built. It starts off like a house afire and gets better and better as it goes along. We have even found players on many locations forming teams against each other to make the play even more interesting."

Reports coming in from other cities are just as enthusiastic. Ben Robinson of Robinson Sales Company, Detroit, Mich., says, "Batting Practise has stricken me dumb. I just don't talk sales anymore when an operator walks into our showrooms and asks to see this machine. I just point at the machine, hand the operator a handful of coins and that does the entire sales job. This machine sells itself. We simply don't need salesmen. We need as many machines as we can possibly get!"

Atlanta, Ga., in the form of Morris Hankin of the Hankin Music Company, reports that "The public simply won't leave the game once they get started. Batting Practise is the one machine that we are back of 100 per cent in every way." Hankin, who believes this is the most thrilling game of baseball that has ever appeared on the coin machine market, says, "We're will-

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The MAXWELL HOUSE . . . An American Tradition

An Out-of-the-Industry Feature by

Robert A. Latimer

ATRONS entering the famous Maxwell House of Nashville, Tennessee, always think of two things-the famous brand of coffee which bears the same name, and the old penny arcade which for many years was a feature of the lobby. This has been replaced by a row of amusement machines of modern quick-changing design.

The story of this historic American hotel is constantly interesting. Not only is it one of America's finest hotels still standing as originally built, but a "location" which the South's coin machine operators are proud to use.

One fine spring morning about 1855 Col. John Overton drove into Nashville from his farm on the outskirts of the city. He stopped his buggy amid a crowd gathered on the northwest corner of Church and Cherry Streets. An auction was in progress, and Col. Overton got the impression that they were selling a cow. He bid \$15 and the sale was knocked down to him. He was very much surprised to learn that instead of a cow he had acquired the piece of prop-erty on which the Maxwell House now stands.

Col. Overton conceived the idea of building the finest hotel in the South and set about to achieve this end. His friends ridiculed the plan and termed it "Overton's Folly." Construction started in 1859, but was interrupted by the Civil War. After Nashville was captured by Union troops, the building was used as a prison-hospital for Confederate soldiers. Years later, in the spacious banquet hall, a Tennessee governor welcomed back some Northern veterans with the words: "We greet you, not with bayonets, but with blessings; not with cold steel, but with hot

biscuits and Southern hospitality."

This building was built before the day of steel construction, and the walls consist of solid brick masonry throughout. outside walls are three to four feet thick at the top and 14 feet at the base. The partition walls, which are all of brick, extend clear to the ground. One enterprising



young Vanderbilt University engineering student calculated the number of bricks used and found it sufficient to build all the houses required for a town of 5,000 population.

The hotel was formally opened in 1869 and was named Maxwell House in honor of Col. Overton's wife. Harriet Maxwell. At the time of its opening, the hotel was considered the last word in elegance. It

TOP, ABOVE: The old Maxwell House as it looks today in Nashville, Tennessee truly the center of Southern Hospitality. CENTER OF PAGE: The famous Presidential Suite in the old Maxwell House. The suite is maintained exactly as when the various presidents of the United States stopped there and called it home for a day or a week. BELOW, LEFT: The lobby of the famed old hotel. For more than three quarters of a century the great and near great have tread the marble flooring.

BELOW, RIGHT: The dining room and banquet hall. It was here that the Northern veterans were honored after the close of the Civil War and the governor said: "We greet you, not with bayonets, but with blessings not with cold steel, but with hot biscuits

boasted a fireplace in every room and a bath on every floor. Its steam-driven elevator was widely advertised. Water was supplied by an artesian well in the basement. Twenty Irish girls were imported to serve as chambermaids for the 300 spacious rooms, three times the size of presentday hotel rooms. One of the chambermaids

was still living in the hotel just prior to her death about five years ago.

The following excerpt is from "Industries of Nashville," July 1, 1887:

"This is, by all odds, the leading hotel in this section of the South. The massive structure is five stories in height, one of the most imposing edifices in the city, and occupies 225 feet on Cherry and 200 feet on Church Street, having also a large addition on the latter street. Elegantly furnished throughout, the hotel contains all the latest improvements and conveniences—the electric system of bells, steam laundry, steam elevators, first-class heating, lighting and ventilating arrangements, etc. The house contains four large and handsomely furnished parlors, two spacious dining - rooms, 300

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MAY

What's Cookin'

Harry Block, Dave Robbins, Tony Mangano, F. H. Parsons, and other prominent Operator-Chefs describe their favorite dish in this fascinating Department this month.



Oh boy!

Potato Pancakes

5 potatoes

1 egg

2 ths. flour

1 tsp. baking powder Sugar, salt and pepper to taste

1/2 grated onion

Grate 5 potatoes ,add an egg, 2 tbs. flour, 1 tsp. baking powder, add sugar, salt and pepper to taste, add 1/2 of a grated onion. Brown well in butter, on both sides.

HARRY BLOCK, Block Marble Co., Philadelphia

(NOTE: What! No scrapple from Philadelphia? Ed.)

Confession:

I have no special dish. I cannot cook

JOE RICHARME, Long Beach Coin Machine Co.,

Long Beach, Calif.

And still a bachelor, too!

Wilslev Special

Two bunches of carrots, boiled, served with salt, pepper, and plenty of butter. That's all I know about cooking.

EINAR WILSLEV, La Jolla, Calif.

Another of the same kind?

Robbins Special

My specialty is boiled eggs—BUT they are boiled JUST RIGHT, and that's sumpin'!

DAVE ROBBINS, D. Robbins & Co., Brooklyn, N. Y. No rolling pin needed, and swell with coffee or tea:

Cocoanut Macaroons

1 cup white sugar

1 cup brown sugar

1 cup shortening 2 eggs beaten until light

1 tsp. vanilla extract 1 cup flour

1 tsp. soda, mixed with

1 tsp. warm water

½ tsp. baking powder

1 cup cocoanut 3 cups oatmeal

Pinch salt

Cream sugar and shortening, add the rest of the ingredients as listed. Drop from teaspoon and bake about 12 minutes at 375°. Let cool slightly before removing from pan. Makes 60 cookies.

TONY MANGANO,

Howard Sales Co., Omaha, Neb.

I never go near the kitchen at home, but in camp - that's different! My specialty is:

Finnish Fish Soup

1. Catch your fish. Clean and cut into large sections.

2. Boil potatoes and onions together until nearly done.

3. Add mixed spices including red pepper—but not too much.

4. Canned or powdered milk helps a lot.

5. The fish is next. Boil until the spine and bones can be separated and remove.

That's all you need - except a north woods appetite. The Finns put in the head and consider the eyes the greatest delicacy. Haven't had the nerve to try that yet.

> F. H. PARSONS, Buckley Manufacturing Co., Chicago

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2 medium-sized onions 1/2 lb. cream cheese

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J. K. HUTZLER, Hutzler Vending Machine Co., Martinsburg, W. Va.

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How to Get More and Better Locations and Make Bigger Profits

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And what happened to that big-volume spot you've been working on? The owner said his place was too dignified for coin machines of any sort? Or maybe - supposing it was a cigarette machine - he said his customers liked the personal service given by the employees, or maybe that it would look as though he didn't trust his employees?

What happened out on Ninth Street? You got the fellow pretty much interested and then he told you he'd "think it over," and when you came back he'd let somebody else put in equipment. And out on Main Street, the chap who could really benefit by having your equipment in his place, but whose ear you can't get because he never really pays attention to what you say what are you doing about him?

If you could buy locations that would bring you a heavy return, week after week, month after month, how much would you pay? Five dollars? Ten? Twenty-five? Fifty

Would you spend six dollars to make a hundred in extra profits?

Stop and think for a minute. You're a salesman. Maybe you don't think so. Maybe you think an operator doesn't need to be. If that's the case, you can stop wondering right now why someone else tops your spots every so often. Perhaps you're only a route man and you think you don't need to know selling. There's one answer to that: Do you want to keep on doing that all your life, or do you want to get ahead and make more money in a bigger job? The way to do it is by selling — selling yourself, selling your services, selling locations more and better than the next man. Suppose you're only a service man. There are jobs ahead of that, too - through selling.

If you've been on your toes, if you're one of the "better" men who is "going places" in spite of hell and high water, the chances are that you've sat down and analyzed yourself and the job you're doing, figuring ways to do that job more efficiently. Probably you've read some books on salesman-

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Easterners Return

CHICAGO-J. Frank Meyer of Exhibit Supply Co. and Dave Gensburg, Genco executive, have both returned home after wintering at Palm Springs.

Robbins Suggests Different Machines

NEW YORK - "To be a successful operator, you must own equipment that can be depended upon for a steady income," says Dave Robbins of D. Robbins & Company, Brooklyn. "You must also have equipment that is 'different' so that merchants prick up their ears and take notice when you explain your machines.

"We have two machines which have proven to meet the qualifications of being 'different' and also permanent money makers. One of these machines is our Free Weight Scale which vends a stick of Adams gum for each penny and then gives your weight free. The other machine is our Double Value Phono which plays two standard records for 5c. Operators of these machines can meet and beat any competition in their territory. Both machines are ready for immediate delivery. Operators' prices are amazingly low," stated Dave.

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MAXWELL HOUSE

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tion is convenient to the leading theatres and to carlines. The guests of the Maxwell House are among the first people in the country, and the acquaintances formed by association are always exceptional. The rotunda is floored with marble and presents a very animated appearance when viewed by the evening gas light, showing groups of representative Southern people and exhibiting that culture and refinement so characteristic of the people of this section, while the beauty and magnificence of the architectural display remind one of the ancient splendor of those earlier civilizations that have long since passed away."

izations that have long since passed away."

The Maxwell House was known the country over for its cuisine. The original dining room was two stories high; its ceiling was decorated with medallions of fruit and game, and at each end were Corinthian pilasters resting on square

marble bases.

Willis Banks, head waiter, who died in 1934, loved to tell of the hotel's "glory days"—of beaux and belles, of soldiers, authors, statesmen, generals, and presidents of the United States, who came to dine there on the fare of Antoine, the French chef whose reputation was nationwide. Amons, the darkie who took the hats and coats at the door, did not use any form of check and yet was never known to return a wrong hat or coat.

known to return a wrong hat or coat.

And there was "Old Jerry" too. Jerry made the coffee renowned for its excellence—and therein lies another story for the coffee was brought to Jerry at the kitchen door by none other than Joel Cheek

This same Joel Cheek was paid the huge

sum of 40 million dollars in 1928 for the Maxwell House Coffee business by the General Foods Corporation. He came to Nashville as a lad in 1873 and secured a job as traveling salesman for a wholesale grocery firm. His favorite item was coffee, but of all the blends he carried from store to store in his saddle bags, there was none to suit him exactly. He spent hours trying to find the "perfect blend of matchless flavor."

Finally his efforts met with success and he resigned from his job with the grocery firm to devote himself to the coffee business. Of those pioneer days Cheek later remarked: "When we had perfected our new blend, we went first to the old Maxwell House in Nashville, which was famous throughout the South for the excellence of its cuisine. We let the management taste our coffee and they agreed to give it a trial. As the weeks passed, the critical patrons of the old hostelry began to comment enthusiastically on the mellow flavor of the new blend, and before long, the management of the Maxwell House decided they could serve no other. It was suggested that I call my special blend 'Maxwell House'. It seemed to me that I could get no better name than that of this famous hotel where southern cooking was found at its finest. So the name 'Maxwell House' was adopted."

The now famous slogan "Good to the last drop" was originated by President Theodore Roosevelt while on a visit to the "Hermitage," Andrew Jackson's old estate, when served a steaming hot cup of Maxwell House coffee by Mr. Cheek himself.

The famous hostelry is still standing. The shadow of time is upon it. Romance lingers within its walls, but Southern hos-

pitality still prevails. The warm glow of the old gas lights has given away to the modern brilliance of electricity, and the "Fireplace in every room" has been outmoded by a steam heating plant. The steam-driven elevator has also been discarded for electricity, and city water has replaced the artesian well. Antoine, Willie Banks, and the Irish maids are no longer there. But, though the famous old regime has passed into history, a new generation has stepped in. Although Antoine's reputation cannot hope to be matched, the present restaurant has justifiable pride in its own right. A few months ago Miss Beulah Fisher took over the old stand and spared no effort or expense to convert it into one of the finest eating places in the city. The kitchen, of course, has modern ranges with oven heat controls, bake ovens, and other miscellaneous cooking facilities.

Despite its age the old Maxwell House still stands as a living symbol of Southern Hospitality . . . a spot where the warmth of the Southern way of living is shared liberally with every traveler who enters the old portals.

'This Week' Gives Industry's Good Side

In sharp contrast to the libelous piece on the coin machine industry which appeared in a recent issue of "Detective Fiction Weekly" and is commented on elsewhere in this issue of the Review, "This Week Magazine" for May 4, smart supplement to leading Sunday newspapers throughout the country, with a considerably larger circulation than the other, gives a very favorable impression of the industry.

Headed "Small Change Is Big Money," the magazine's writer Obed Stearns recounts his experience in spending one day getting services from nothing but coin operated devices. Said he: "I lived high, bought everything I needed and some things that were pure luxury. And every cent I spent—total \$3.11—was fed into a slot."

From dime-operated electric shaver to fresh handkerchief, breakfast at an Automat, subway transportation gained through a nickel-operated turnstile, to 24-hour \$7500 insurance, telephone calls, vended stationery, lunch, foot massage, cigar and amusement was this writer's record for the day—and while he admitted that it was a deliberate stunt, that he hunted out the devices he would normally patronize only when they happened to be convenient, he also admitted that there were other devices he might have found and used.

In his authentic facts and his correct figures this writer presented a much more reasonable—acceptable to the industry and the public alike—picture of the industry. But his concluding paragraphs are the high points, in which he answers a friend's query as to "What's it all prove?"

"It proves," the writer responded, "that in America, the man with a little small change in his pocket is a big shot—big enough to get nearly everything he needs or wants, big enough to have great industries grow up and revolve around him.

"The very rich don't need to use coin machines. The very poor can't, I'm glad to live in a country where most of us do."

Big He-Man: "I developed these big muscles by working in a boiler factory."

Innocent Young Thing: "Oh, you great big wonderful man! And what do you boil?"

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SEATTLE—Nearly \$500,000 a year income for revenue-distressed Washington cities resulted from a command performance on a marble game in a Superior Court room three years ago. A defendant who owned the machine was ordered by Judge Chester A. Batchelor to play ten games on it, and in ten plays he was "broke." But when the assistant corporation counsellikewise ordered to do so-played it and won 20 cents, and when the defendant's attorney won 30 cents, the Judge decided marble games were skill devices rather than games of chance, opening the way for hardpressed cities to license machines.

Close to half a million dollars was raised in more than 100 cities and towns from skill games in 1940, and the State, which recently levied a flat 10% tax on game income over and above the varying city fees, expects to take in about \$1,500,000 a year. The Pacific Northwest's share in the national defense boom is keeping the nickels

rolling.

Marble games are accepted in 38 of Washington's 39 counties. In the 39th county, Shohomish, north of Seattle, there is a curiously "open-minded" young prosecutor before whom a hearing was held on whether to relax the county's ban on the devices so the cities could gain the added revenue. While a representative of the Association of Washington Cities was pointing out the revenue that would thus come in, this energetic prosecutor interrupted:
"Now I want to make my position clear.

I'm absolutely impartial on this proposition and I want to hear all sides ... but I want to tell you right now that I'm going to

throw the damn things out!"

Cigarette Tax Rise No Problem to U-Need-A-Pak

BROOKLYN-Proposed Federal tax increases on cigarettes will not affect the operation of U-Need-A-Pak equipment, according to Salesmanager Murray Wiener. Foreseeing this possibility long ago, the new Norman Bel Geddes-designed Model "500" cigarette merchandiser, as well as Models "A" and "E", are capable of vending cigarettes at a quarter through a mechanism adjustable to various combina-tions of nickels and dimes up to that amount.

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LONG BEACH, Calif.—In 1922 oil was discovered in this former "tourist town," and while visitors continued to come it ceased to be known just as a resort center and became famous for oil — until the creation of a splendid harbor made it a "Navy town," manufacturing came in to make it an "industrial city," and aircraft's boom made it an "aviation center." Its population of some 60,000 has grown to 200,000 — and business?

Business wasn't all it might have been, in spite of all this. With ample facilities for recreation, for encouraging the spending of huge payrolls, business was being driven away by an unprogressive attitude.

To cope with this there came into being the Progressive Business Men's Association of Long Beach, headed by a group which did not, curiously, have most to gain — amusement machine operators. But those who had more than they to gain joined them soon enough; small businessmen who knew that coin machines meant amusement, that amusement meant spending, saw the possibilities, so that by April of this year the group had 450 dues members in all walks of life. Salesmen, automobile dealers, aviation men, retired men, Naval officers, cleaners, garage men - men who in no sense stand to profit by and through amusement machines - are included in the membership. The point on which they all agree is the need for "better business in Long Beach."

With the avowed aim of a liberal city and a determination to fight beside the authorities to the last ditch against racketeering or lawlessness which would threaten the homes of the area, every effort is being expended to provide amusements which will make attractive the spending of money at home.

The Association's Civic Night banquet, attended by virtually all city officials and their wives, brought numerous compliments on the work of the organization, and demonstrated in a small way what can be done by an aggressive group going in the right direction under full power. The meeting of May 13, with Dutch lunch and entertainment, further consolidated gains.

The Association has taken an active part in the legislative fight in the state capitol to protect existing business, ranging all the way from protests on measures designed to curb amusement devices to enthusiastic support of pharmacy bills and realignment of liquor-food laws. At home efforts have been made to help member liquor dealers straighten out buying and price problems, helping member druggists in business problems, helping card-room members who have been conducting legal and clean games, and aiding the police in ridding the town of illegal games.

The Progressive Business Men's Association presents itself as another of the sound, tested patterns by which operator groups may better both selves and communities in which they live.

Distribs. Applaud Groetchen Yankee

CHICAGO-Leading distributors throughout the country who have Groetchen's new Yankee Double Header game on display report the operator reaction is the greatest they have ever seen.

Typical of the many reports received are those of H. G. Payne of the H. G. Payne Company at Nashville, Tennessee, who stated, "Yankee is a honey. In fact, it is the only counter game with a really brand new idea that I have seen in years. It should even surpass the Imp Gum Vendor in popularity.

H. M. Branson, General Manager of the J. E. Cobb Distributing Company at Louisville, Kentucky, wrote in a letter, "Just received the sample of the new Yankee Double Header counter game and wish to say that it is an exceptionally fine looking machine. We are featuring it prominently in our display room and expect to sell a considerable number of these games.'

According to Ed Hanson, Groetchen Sales Manager, the sizable orders booked for the

new Yankee Double Header indicate a success that will probably surpass even that of the Imp Gum Vendor.

Presented in a beautifully styled cabinet, packing plenty of eye appeal, Yankee offers to the operator the choice of Cigarette or Fruit Reels on the same three reels. The operator can convert a new Yankee Double Header on location in a couple of minutes time from a Cigarette into a Fruit machine and thus is really getting two complete machines for the price of one. In addition to the "Double Header" feature, Yankee is equipped with a 75—25% coin divider and has a very large cash capacity.

The Yankee Double Header, like Klix and Pok-O-Reel is packed six to a case and is offered to operators at a special carton

"How'd you get along with your wife in that fight the other night?"
"Aw, she came crawling to me on her brees"

knees

Yeah? What did she say?"

"Come out from under that bed, you coward."

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-MOVIES-

Majorette Productions Previewed in Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD — Majorette Productions previewed the first of their series of All-Color Dime-in-the-Chute features before a representative group of trade and newspaper reviewers in Hollywood last week.

Consensus of opinion of the press was that this new company headed by Etienne Noir and W. G. Campbell Bosco had the jump on its rivals with the introductions of color, and that the subject matter contained in the shorts was distinct novelty over anything introduced by their competitors thus far.

Novelty lies in the fact that these shorts present a complete story. Although music is the important element, Majorette Productions has arbitrarily left the bands out of its pictures, relying on the music sound track plus gags and story in developing the shorts.

Majorette has over thirty shorts completed. A dozen of the featurettes were shown at the preview which included: "Frankie & Johnny," "St. Louis Blues," "My Man," a puppet novelty featuring Laurel & Hardy puppets, "The Mexican Way," "Queen of the Arena," "Pagan Rhythm," and others. Among the players appearing in the shorts was Dolores Gray, recently signed to a personal contract by Rudy Vallee, because of her work in the two featurettes "St. Louis Blues," and "My Man." Lou Bring's music, which is the feature of some of the best NBC and CBS coast-to-coast shows, with arrangements by Harold Rubenstein, is featured in the product.

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Dolores Gray appearing in "My Man" coinin-the-chute feature produced by Majorette Distributing Co. Majorette, headed by Etienne Noir and W. G. Campbell Bosco, has produced 30 feaures for the coin-movies thus far.

Metermovies' Films in Heavy Production

LOS ANGELES-Tremendous activity in the production of pictures for the metered movie industry has followed closely upon the recently-announced program of expansion inaugurated by Metermovies, Inc., Los Angeles manufacturers of the noted "Metermovies" coin movie machines. Speaking of spectacular developments in the film producing phase of the industry, Don Heyer, production official of Metermovies, Inc., said, "The scale on which we are now operating has justified the launching of a really big program by the picture producers, and that in turn stimulates our activities. The great number of quality subjects in production has injected overwhelming enthusiasm into the industry. A program has been instigated that is growing by leaps and bounds with no end in sight.

Scores of new, fresh, scintillating subjects have been added in recent weeks to the roster of Metermovie releases, it was stated, with new additions creating a boom in the local film laboratories. The time when production will balance consumption and result in a steadying of the entire industry is at hand, it was believed by the company officials.

"Metermovie subjects," Heyer said, "have established a new entertainment style and standard. They are comprised of picturized versions of popular songs, swingy dance numbers, hot rhumbas and Hawaiian specialties, and eye-filling and action-packed novelty numbers. They have plenty of girl interest. Every subject is produced especially for this industry. Each is so replete with variety and pure entertainment as to command undivided attention."

Summing up the movie situation, Heyer predicted an avalanche of summer and fall coin movie business. The industry has grown in record time, he stated, and has now "arrived."

New Firm Slated to Make Movie Machines

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Picturettes, Inc., a new corporation headed by J. Mason Chesbro as president, has been organized here to manufacture coin operated sound motion picture machines which are due to provide four distinctly different types of sound-onfilm devices, each designed to fill a particular need.

Picturette Junior will offer films in conjunction with any coin operated phonograph; placed atop the latter and connectable within a few minutes, it permits the patron to select a favorite record and get an up-to-date news or dance number free.

Picturette Senior is similar to other machines on the market, but actual test following some 12 years experimentation by Morton J. Smith, engineer and director, who first had a machine on the market in 1932, indicates a more trouble-free operation than others, Chesbro asserts.

Official premiere for all units in their lavishly-designed cabinets, will be announced shortly. The machine will be sold direct to operators, without franchise or tieups of any kind

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Other officers of the new corporation, located at 640 Main Street, with showrooms at 43 Allen Street, include Carl Silverstein, secretary and treasurer, and Joseph J. Anzalone, vice-president.

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LOS ANGELES (RC) — Election over and operators are experiencing a more settled state of affairs and evener business in their various spots. Mayor Bowron has set a record of achievement since he assumed office that would be hard for any contender to beat. Previously a judge, the mayor has the unusual faculty of weighing all matters equally and dishing out justice according to the dictates of his conscience. To say the operators are completely satisfied with his re-election would be an utter untruth.

Judith Ann Gilman is quite a little lady now. She's the proud first baby of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Gilman and came into this world way last February 19th but this is the first time she made the column. The daddy is Decca's major domo for the West Coast and a competent and capable exec, too!

Majorette Productions are really going to town for the coin-operated movie lads. They've some swell stuff already released and oodles of material now being prepared. Bigwigs of the organization trekked East the first of May to unreel their productions before the movie-machine operators in the New England states.

E. C. (Mac) McNeil, National Vendors head man in the West, is the boy that bounces about. Just try catching him in. We did. First time he was in Montana. Second time in Arizona. Third time in Oregon. Fourth time we 'phoned and found he had just come in from a Utah, Nevada and Idaho jaunt. National should be proud to have a chap that really covers the states as energetically as Mac does.

Harry Holdsworth, music operator and erstwhile printer to the coin machine industry in Los Angeles, has been called by Uncle Sam and is now stationed at Camp Ord in Monterey. Harry has been active in the industry locally for the past five years.

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Stevens Nikabob Restaurant is rapidly becoming jobber and distributor headquarters for periodic meetings. With an excellent cuisine and private rooms aplenty the spot has been used several times during the past month for special meetings.

One happy child on June 27th and June 28th will be Ethelda Bromberg, daughter of Irving Bromberg. On the 27th Ethelda graduates from L. A. High, and on the 28th she will be married. Wedding gift from daddy will be a Chrysler New Yorker convertible. Son Marty went East during April to drive the car back and side-tripped to Mexico City to look over the land of Manana before coming back to L. A.

Bill Corcoran bobbed into town on April 19th, had a brief confab with Bud Parr and

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bounced back to San Francisco to talk over policies and future plans with Pat Buckley who blew in from the East to see Bill.

Phil Robinson, Chi. Coin rep. is out of the hospital and feelin' prim and proper. Phil gives excellent recommendations for treatment at the Cedars of Lebanon Hospital in Hollywood and suggests operators needing hospital treatment contact him first for numbers, inside info. etc.

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T. F. Vance, of Thompson-Vance and Associates, Chicago, visited with local operators and jobbers the first of the month. Vance represents the "Your Choice" refreshment vendor of Chicago in addition to several other machines.

So . . . the heat struck . . . 92 for three days straight, which means a short column for this issue.

Techniprocess Has Six Ready

HOLLYWOOD—Techniprocess Corporation, who claim to be ready to shoot 48 coinmovie features using star names, announce the release of six new numbers for the machines.

Release consists of Rudy Vallee doing "Lydia the Tattooed Lady"; Shadrack Boys doing "Shadrack"; Rudy Vallee's Four Musketeers offering a burlesque of "Rigoletto"; Jean Grounds and the Dreamers battling out "Bundle of Love"; and Betty Wells and Ted Brodus of "Meet the Peo-

ple" fame doing two stints, namely "Boy Meets Girl" and "Bank of Love."

New Movie Gadget Reported Ready

HOLLYWOOD—Reports are going out from the film capital that Dwain Esper is about ready to give out on a new coinoperated movie device which may be operated in connection with any phonograph.

The machine is said to exhibit a miniature movie synchronized to an ordinary phonograph record in the machine and is to be called "Pic-a-Tune."

Esper claims a tie-up with major record manufacturers and will shoot the pictures when records are made in order to keep up with current discs.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: THE REVIEW sees little likelihood that such a tie-up would mean much to the phonograph operators of America. Warner Brothers can give testimony to the unpracticability of records synchronized to film. We suggest all operators write THE REVIEW before entering into a purchase of synchronized equipment for a special report now in preparation.)

Lady (at almond counter): "Who attends to the nuts?"

Wise Guy: "Be patient, I'll wait on you in a minute."

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Parina Lauds Adams **Gum Vendor**

SAN FRANCISCO — The pretty girl and the chewing gum ad is no joke - now Los Angeles makes headlines by deciding gum machines may be installed in a city build-

And R. A. "Dick" Parina, of the R. A. Parina Company, hails that news with a reminder to machine operators: "Beauty must be served! Lovely American gals are making the world chewing gum conscious and we're ready to meet this streamlined idea with a streamlined service — the new Adams Monel Model Chewing Gum Machine!"

Dick is really enthusiastic about the latest thing in convenient service for gum chewers and "Who isn't one at some time or other?" asks this alert executive. He maintains that everything good goes in threes. "Here's the first of my good and lucky three," explained Dick as he pointed to the smooth, gleaming, smart machine. "Point one is that it's beautiful - its size is perfect. It's the same type of machine now in operation in the Subways and on the El platforms in Chicago, New York, Philadelphia and Boston. The reason is, naturally, because it's the BEST both from a mechanical and money-making stand-

"Next we come to point two," Dick Parina went on, "any operator will understand that important feature—the Adams Monel Model is priced unbelievably low and its offered on amazingly friendly, easy terms. As a matter of fact, your machine actually pays for itself before it's time for your last payment and then you settle down and look forward to years of earning a steady income.

"Point three," Dick explained, "is that this machine is the easiest in the world to operate. It hasn't been built haphazardly. The men who designed it followed out the demands of operators—it is an operator's machine. It's no sissy . . . but really

sturdy and strong. It's quickly serviced! It represents easy collecting.

"You know what perfect performance means - it's an operator's pleasant dream come true" confided this man who is in a position to know, "well, that's this machine - a dream come true!"

Dick Parina smiled, "But I don't have to speak for this machine, it speaks for itself. Thousands of Adams Monel Model Gum Machines, working away with as much precision as airplane workers in defense factories, make them 'America's Finest'!"

The R. A. Parina Company maintains offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles with stock on hand for immediate deliveries to operators.

ABT Changes Banquet Date

NEWARK, N. J.-Learning that Sunday, May 18, 1941, had been chosen for celebra-tion of "I Am an American" Day, the exhibit and banquet committee of the Amusement Board of Trade of New Jersey, Inc., moved forward the banquet scheduled for April 27 to the new date and announced that the tone of the affair will be patriotic, with decorations and souvenirs in keeping with the occasion. Even the two door prizes are to be symbolic of the "Day."

Although there will be no speeches, the celebration will be observed fittingly. A toptalent floor show and a musical organization playing in the ultra-modern manner have been booked through a New York theatrical agency. A special souvenir journal is now being prepared, which will include the "Proclamation" of President Roosevelt, as well as other features which will make it an unusual remembrance of the banquet. Industry members are being permitted advertising space in the journal.

Present indications are that reservations
-priced at only four dollars including all gratuities and wardrobe-will be a complete

sell-out.

James A. Gilmore, CMI secretary, P. W. Blackford, Coin Machine Review editor, and other trade paper heads, are to be among the invited guests.

Ned: "That guy's job is to get the goods on women."

Ted: "What is he, a detective?"

Ned: "No, a house-to-house dress sales

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KANSAS CITY

B. K. ANDERSON

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—With the "Go Ahead" nod from Independence, Missouri, the entire Kansas City area now is smiling favorably on the operation of re-play tables. Even the stalwarts of Hobbies, Inc., find it hard to believe that the industry has advanced its position so fast and completely in such a short time.

Missouri cigarette vendor operators are still marking time as a new type of cigarette tax legislation slowly winds its way through committee meetings in Jefferson City. Practically all operators are showing a strong preference for the multiple combination cigarette vendors - a costly lesson they learned from past tax legislation that has many times changed their price structure.

Most single and double combination machines that are worth it have or are being changed over to multiple types. As Frank Fasone of Acme puts it, "In recent years all local cigarette operators have learned that prices must necessarily vary according to competition in the area of their location. Thus if an operator pays a little more and gets better equipment in the first place such as machines with a wide variety of combinations he more than makes this back when he finds it necessary to maintain several price schedules in the field."

Also Fasone remarks that, "The most encouraging thing about cigarette operation in the area is the fact that customers have demonstrated that they prefer to purchase their cigarettes from a vendor. We have them in super markets where low priced bulk counters operate in competition under the same roof and even in these spots the machine's volume holds up excellently. What more can be said in favor of vending machine merchandising?"

Joe Berkowitz and his rapidly expanding Universal Manufacturing Company will shortly take additional space in an adjoining building. 103 employees are now on this firm's payroll and the company is working three 8-hour shifts in an attempt to keep abreast of orders according to S. L. Herman, Universal's new advertising manager. Not new to Universal, Herman has been with the firm for the past eight years and has spent more time than that in the business.

Herman says that the best way to tell how good the Dangling Ducket (successors to the jar games) business now is, may be pointed out by the fact that Universal has spent approximately \$50,000 for new equipment during the past twelve months. The unit has recently changed over to a corporation owned and managed by Joe Berkowitz. Richard S. Chandler, formerly co-owner of the company, is no longer connected with Universal.

The Coin Machine Review's new cooking section caught one Kansas City operator right between the eyes. He is Ivan "Swede" Nelson of Kansas City, Kansas. Balancing the scales well over the "200" mark, Swede has gained quite a reputation in his area as a gourmet. Born in Sweden, Ivan's favorite dish, he says, is Smagougie and promises shortly to let the other Review readers in on the "makings."

Carl Hoelzel, United's head man is just

back from a trip to St. Louis and Chicago. Partly a trip in the interests of Hobbies, Inc., and part regular business, Carl returned minus his pet squirrel which has



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been much in evidence around United in recent months. The highlight of the trip occurred, he says, when the squirrel got frightened on the Chicago plane and left its customary quarters in Carl's coat pocket to go roaming through the airliner.

One of Hoelzel's Chicago friends now owns the squirrel and Carl is on the lookout for another pet.

The most recent poll of Hobbies, Inc., to determine the most popular re-play table of the past 12 months chose Powerhouse by a close margin.

Plans for the new national Association of Coin Machine Operators goes rapidly ahead according to reports from Earl Witchner, executive secretary. It is expected that the entire set-up of the unit will be in shape for presentation at the next annual show of the industry.

Reports from Joplin, Missouri, bring word that music operator Charley Aiken is rapidly expanding his extensive list of music locations again. A recent large purchase of new Wurlitzers is his latest bid for supremacy in this lead and zinc section which is being boomed by present National Defense needs.

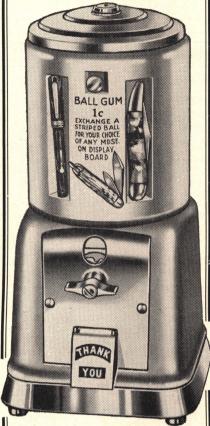
Central Distributing Company again brings out the encouraging information that both new phonographs and re-play table demand in the area exceeds supply. The situation isn't serious, they say, but the 1941 boom has in no way diminished.

The cigarette vendor picture seems to be the same. Acme Amusement Company last month purchased fifteen new units only to find them on location the first of the month and no reserves in the shop. Manager TÜRN PAGE

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Frank Fasone sent in a rush order and is now anxiously awaiting delivery.

All of which brings up a very interesting situation that has developed in local operating ranks. Operators fearing slow deliveries and delayed production due to National Defense needs, have found that the surpluses don't remain long in stock rooms. Somehow or other they just can't let these new machines remain idle. So it would seem that all an operator has to do to expand his business is to purchase larger orders of new equipment and then let Nature takes its course. This is proven by the fact that although quite a number of leading Missouri-Kansas operators have made large purchases recently just in case deliveries become slower, not one of these operators has any appreciable surplus of equipment on hand at present.

Certainly this is a healthy condition for the industry, one which benefits every member and it proves the most happy fact of all: "WE ARE NOT EVEN NEAR TO APPROACHING THE SATURATION LIMIT OF LOCATIONS AND POSSIBILITIES" BILITIES."

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Mac Eats With The Solomons

SEATTLE-Mac Mohr, Daval counter games Pacific Coast representative, who has won a great reputation for his epicurean knowledge, now reports that he has found someone to challenge the marvelous home cooking of Mrs. Ed Heinle of San

"Some weeks ago," Mac reports, "I told the trade about the marvelous home cooking of Mrs. Ed. Heinle, whom I believe is one of America's most outstanding good, old fashioned home cookers. I acclaimed her the champion home made meal maker America.

"Now," Mac continues, "I'll have to take back some of those remarks in favor of Mrs Walter Solomon of Seattle. Mrs. Solomon is the very charming wife of Wally Solomon of Western Distributors Inc., of this city, and she prepared a meal for me, especially after she read my report about Mrs. Ed. Heinle's cooking, which is probably one of the most perfect meals that has ever been prepared in American history.

"Not that I'm a big meal fanatic," Mac claims, "but because of the fact that I'm a very light diner and like my food to be perfectly cooked I've made it a hobby to search for the type of food that is today so rare in our hurry-up-and-gulp-it-down

"Mrs. Solomon's cooking challenged that of Mrs. Heinle's. Both of these charming women should be awarded the crown of great home cookers by someone like Oscar of the Waldorf or probably the President of the United States. If these men won't do it—then I demand that the members of the coin machine industry get together and do the awarding for they deserve this sort of acclaim because they uphold our great American cooking tradition."

CMI Inducts **New Officers**

CHICAGO—Marking a two years' membership growth from 21 to 107, new officers of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., were installed at a well-attended gathering at the Bal Tabarin.

George Moloney, new president, was tendered a new gavel by Earl Benedict, Hotel Sherman spokesman. Other officers are: Dick Hood, first vice-president; A. E. Gebert, second vice-president; Dave Gottlieb, who retired from the presidency, treasurer; Jas. Gilmore, secretary. Directors are: John Chrest, Richard Groetchen, Sam Wolberg, Walter Tratsch, Homer Capehart, W. E. Bolen and David Rockola.

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Glassgold Reports Operation Expansions

HAVERHILL, Mass.—Burnhart "Bip" Glassgold, Arthur H. DuGrenier, Inc. salesmanager, back from a three-weeks' flying tour of the west covering 16 states, reports western operators are rapidly expanding their routes to accommodate the increase in business due to enlarged territory commitments for defense supplies.

"One of the largest orders we took was from Hymie Zorinsky of H. Z. Vending & Sales Co. in Omaha, who advised us that he places the Champion in all top locations," Glassgold reported. Walter Knack of Dixon, Ill., Frank Fasone and Frank Buccero of Acme Amusement Co., Kansas City, Detroit's Reliable Vending, Pontiac's Ray Frink, and Star Vending, Toledo, are others reported to have placed large orders for vendors.

Parina Opens New Los Angeles Offices

LOS ANGELES-R. A. Parina and Company, exclusive distributors for the DuGren-ier Champion Cigarette Vendor, the Candy Man candy bar vendor, and the Adams Gum Vendor for the states of California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada, announce the opening of a new Los Angeles office at 1726 South Vermont Avenue.

The new office, situated in the very middle of the coin machine jobbing and distributing district, will serve the operators of the great Southwest. A complete line of machines is on display and stock on all machines, as well as the full line of Adams gum, is carried on hand for immediate delivery. Regardless of whether the operator's requirement is for one machine or one hundred the Parina office is equipped to give him immediate service.

Richard A. Parina will continue to make his headquarters at the San Francisco office at 156 Ninth Street, and A. F. "Tony" Parina will be in charge of the Los Angeles

In commenting on this new expansion, "Dick" Parina said: "In my opinion the west coast in its entirety is the most fertile market in the entire country. We are confident of enjoying a fair portion of the business available, if for no other reason than the name DuGrenier needs no introduction. It is our intention to carry on the highest principles of the industry. We are well acquainted with the mechanics of doing business as the far westerners like to do and we intend to go the full way with them following, of course, the proper trade prac-

"Tony" Parina added: "We feel especially proud to be able to offer the vending machine operators such well-known and proven products as the DuGrenier Champion cigarette machine, the Candy Man bar vendor, and the famous Adams Gum ma-chine. These are all quality machines that have held the respect and admiration of seasoned operators for some time past.

'We want operators to feel that both our San Francisco and Los Angeles offices are their own vending machine headquarters. We shall do our best to serve them and share with them the experiences we have gained over a fourteen year period in this business.'

Rowe L. A. Mgr.

Passes Away
LOS ANGELES—Thomas Morrissey, 48,
General Manager of the Los Angeles branch of Rowe Cigarette Service, passed away May 6 of Cirosis of the Liver after a ten week illness. Before his connection with Rowe, he was president of the Pacific National Bank in Los Angeles.

Rosary was recited May 8th at the funeral parlors of Cunningham and O'Connor and Mass was said at Holy Spirit Church, Pico and Dunsmuir, with burial following

at Calvary Cemetery.
Morrissey leaves his widow, Marie; a daughter, son, two sisters and two brothers. His son, Tom Morrissey, Jr., operates music machines.

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Report of the Western Vending Machine Operators Association

Meeting of APRIL 29th 1941

Election of officers for the coming year are due at the June meeting so members who have not been in regular attendance of late are urgently invited to come to the meeting May 27th and look yourselves over and decide who you want to represent you for the next twelve months. DON'T FORGET.

The suggestion boxes at the jobbers have received a number of favorable comments but are shy somewhat on good ideas. We are always hearing some of the newer operators beef because they don't know about many of the things they feel they should in order to operate their business properly. LET'S HAVE MORE OF THOSE QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS IN THE BOXES, and then come to the meeting and discuss them with us.

To show that we are not always serious but have a good time at the meetings we offer a sample story from 'Mac' McKinlock.

Mac says there were two brothers in Scotland who wanted to come to the U. S. but they only had money enough for one, so Sandy it was who came. Sandy did fairly well but was unable to save enough to send for his brother for several years. However he finally had enough to go back to Scot-land for his Brother. When Sandy arrived he could not find Jock anywhere but finally encountered an old man with a long beard who greeted him heartily. Sandy couldn't remember who the old man was and finally asked him. Jock told him and when Sandy asked about his apparent old age and the beard Jock said, "aweel Sandy ye took the razor with you when you went to America and I kept thinking right along you were going to send for me and I wouldn't need to buy another razor so now I have a good beard.

So ADIOS AMIGOS and come to see us May 27th and pick out the ones you want to elect in June.

New Machine Vends Fruit Juices

CLEVELAND — The latest contribution to the field of automatic merchandising devices is a dispensing unit that makes pure, cool and refreshing canned fruit juices available to a thirsty public. It is the product of Kan-O-Juice Dispenser Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, and the invention of its president, Joseph Gertner.

From its magazine of 214 standard size $5\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 oz. cans, it delivers a choice of 6 juices, properly cooled and ready for consumption on the spot.

The customer simply moves the selector lever to the particular fruit juice he desires, inserts his nickel and pulls down the release lever. Upon delivery of the can, two straws are automatically ejected. The can is then inserted under a patented sanitary can opener. An easy push on the lever punctures the lid and the purchaser is ready to sip his refreshing vitamins via orange, grapefruit, apple, pineapple, tomato or other available juices. A chute is provided in the machine at the end of which is a large receptacle to accommodate the empty cans. The coin device can be readily changed to receive a nickel or dime.

The unit is distinctive, modern in design and extremely compact. It stands 76" high, has a width of 41" and a depth of 17".



Mitchell Doumany, DuGrenier West Virginia representative, snapped this shot of Elizabeth Williams, Beckley, W. Va., purchasing her sweets from one of the DuGrenier Candy Man 5c candy bar machines operated by E. J. Fourney of that city.

Its weight is approximately 400 lbs., and set on casters it is easily moved about. The entire storage compartment is dry cooled by a 1/4 H.P. Servel electric refrigeration unit and costs less than 3c a day to operate. The Kan-O-Juice Dispenser is the result of four years of experimentation. Dozens of units have been in test operation the past year in department stores, factories, clubs, hotels, amusement places, waiting rooms, theaters and other types of locations having fairly large potential patronage. It opens a budding new business with great potentialities because of its convenience and the universal appeal for pure, health-giving, stimulating and thirstquenching juices.

"Sweet Tooth" Catering Is Profitable — Parina

LOS ANGELES—Catering to the "Sweet Tooth" of the nation is a mighty profitable business, according to A. F. "Tony" Parina, manager of the local office of R. A. Parina and Company.

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Scientific's Batting Practice is proving to be a terrific money-maker on all types of locations. In the picture you can see a crowd gathered around the machine near the entrance to the swimming pool in the St. George Hotel in Brooklyn. There is another Batting Practice located in the St. George Hotel Pharmacy and both are getting a tremendous play.

Triple Honor Bestowed On "Curley" Robinson LOS ANGELES—When a man is asked

LOS ANGELES—When a man is asked to represent one organization for a nation-wide event—that's an honor. When he is requested to represent three for such an observance as "I Am An American" Day, Sunday, May 18th, it becomes a tribute. That is what happened to Samuel "Curley" Robinson, Managing Director of the Associated Operators of Los Angeles County, Inc.

Upon the creation of the "I Am An American" Day by President Roosevelt, "Curley" received word from Edward Arnold, President of the observance organization, that he had been appointed chairman of the Sponsors' Committee, representing the Amusement Devices Industry.

Next came a letter from Herbert Ochs, Commander of the Los Angeles Post No. 8, American Legion, to Robinson, child welfare commissioner of the Post, saying, "I would be exceedingly grateful if you would accept the Chairmanship of this committee representing the Los Angeles Post, which is the Mother Post of Los Angeles County."

Finally, from Carroll Parish, Captain of the 4th Area, Sons of the American Legion, came this praise, "Because of your many generous services in behalf of youth groups in Los Angeles County, and because of your splendid devotion to the program of the Sons of the American Legion, I am asking that you serve as a member of the

Advisory Committee on the 4th Area, S. A. L. Souvenir Program."

So now "Curley" is writing to all members and associates of the Associated Operators, asking cooperation in observance of the "I Am An American" Day and attendance at the program in Hollywood Bowl Sunday, May 18th.

Parina Coins New Service Slogan

SAN FRANCISCO—"Until just recently the initials 'P. S.' meant 'Something added after'," declared "Dick" Parina, of R. A. Parina and Company, "but now 'P. S.' means 'Parina Service' and this service starts at the time an operator buys any piece of DuGrenier equipment from either our San Francisco or Los Angeles offices and continues thereafter!"

The Parina organization is exclusive distributors for DuGrenier machines in California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, New Mexico and Nevada and service departments, with competent factory-trained mechanics in charge, have been organized in both the Los Angeles and San Francisco offices to take care of every need of today's operators.

"What are you doing now, Sam?"

"Ah's an exportah."

"An exporter?"

"Yassuh, Ah was fired by de Pullman Company."

Kagan Reports Heavy Groetchen Sales

LOS ANGELES — Take it from John Kagan, West Coast representative for the Groetchen Tool Company, that the Western States are really counter game conscious.

Says Jack: "I have been spending most of my time for the past months out in the territory talking to the boys that buy games and helping them plan profitable operations. Almost to a man they speak highly of the superior and consistent quality of precision-produced Groetchen games and they have backed up their remarks with sizable orders. I've booked some excellent business on almost every machine in our extensive line.

"Right now operators are expressing more than usual interest in our new Yankee Double Header game. It's something that is tailored-to-measure for thousands and thousands of locations and Western operators are right up front when it comes to picking the right machines for their spots. That is why I've been bobbing from town to town in an effort to give every Western operator just the type of service on his orders that he has a right to expect."

The Case of the Missing Theater Seats

TOLEDO—There were 205 seats in a certain, small theater in Gatesburg, Ohio. Or at least there were the last time Pete Wood, secretary of the Independent Theater Owners of Ohio, knew about it, Suddenly, without warning, came the mystery. It arrived with the theater owner's check of \$16.30 to pay his organization dues. For the accompanying explanation accounted for only 163 seats.

However, there was no third degree, grilling by brilliant lights and shouting voices in Columbus. This "Who Done It" was solved by the owner himself, "I done it," he explained a little more grammatically. "And what do you think is in the place where there were once 42 seats? I'll tell you — PINBALL MACHINES, SIX OF 'EM. They're the reason why I can pay my theater dues!"

The triumphant hero of this tale of duesdefying success with the ever-dependable aid of pinball machines, continued, "Business has been very lousy. The only reason I run the show is because my wife, Martha, and my grandchildren like the movies. I figure if I break even I'm saving money because without my theater, the family would spend money for gasoline and admissions in other theaters."

Vince Shay Announces Son

to like them.'

CHICAGO—Vince Shay, coin sales manager of Mills Novelty Company, is a very happy and proud father. The event was a tremendous surprise to everyone at Mills, for Vince had kept everything a secret. No one knew a thing about his anticipations. First word was that the baby was an hour old.

Mrs. Shay is showing the baby at the West Suburban Hospital and says it weighed seven pounds at birth. It will be named "Vincent Anthony."

Statistician: "Most of the accidents in the home happen in the kitchen." Mr. Longwed: "Yes, and what's worse,

the husband has to eat them and pretend

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Weinberg Clicks For Mohr

LOS ANGELES — Hy Weinberg, roadman de luxe for Mac Mohr Company, this city, is reported to have clicked with one of the best sales records ever set by any roadman on sales of Daval counter games throughout the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah and Nevada.

According to Mohr, "Hy set a real sales

According to Mohr, "Hy set a real sales record on this last trip. His sales of Marvel, 'Defense Model' American Eagle, '21', Cub and Ace amounted to the largest volume of business that we have ever received on Dayal counter games from these states.

on Daval counter games from these states. "In addition," Hy tells us, "the operators, jobbers and distributors throughout these states are all sold on Daval counter games and I find that more and still more of our machines are demanded. The men advised me that the games more than bring back the cost in a very short time and also that they have been finding their greatest profits coming from their Daval counter game routes."

"Such praise," according to Hy Weinberg, "is one outstanding reason why operators throughout the entire Northwest are all Daval counter game conscious. The trade in this part of the country realizes that the biggest and steadiest and the best profits that they have ever earned are from Daval counter games. Many of these men have shown me collection records on Daval games that are truly amazing. And many more have advised me that their Daval counter games operation has maintained them through the toughest times."

Operator Helps Defense Program

BALBOA, Calif.—Al Anderson, amusement concession operator here and a Review subscriber, has announced that the U. S. Army has bought 140 compressed air machine guns of a type used at his concession, to be used in training Army flyers in aerial gunnery. Additional orders from the Navy are expected shortly, Anderson declared, since officials in both branches of the service have expressed approval of the gun.

Cheapness of operation and extremely high firing power are features of the weapon invented by Paul V. MacGlashan of Long Beach, with whom Anderson is associated. At 200 pounds air pressure the gun fires the same number of shots as a regular machine gun with a velocity about equal to a .22 caliber rifle. About 100 shots can be fired for 1 cent, as compared to 7 to 15 cents for each shot in firing regulation guns, Anderson explained.

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Gulf States Exhibit Company, in Business Ten Years, Has Built Profitable "Iron Claw" Business by Wire Selection of Merchandise and Catering to Public and Location Owners

By RUEL McDANIEL

Coin machine business is no different than any other established industry, according to the opinion and experience of the management of Gulf States Exhibit Company, New Orleans, La. It will respond to sound merchandising and fair treatment to customers just the same as though it were a corner drug store or a drygoods establishment. The fact that the company has been continuously in the coin machine business for ten years indicates that the policy is sound.

It is poor business to play the public for a sucker, the management of this concern believes. If you don't give the player of the machine a chance to get something for his money, he ceases to be a player, and both the location and the entire coin machine industry suffers. On the other hand, give the player a fair chance to win something of value and he continues to be a regular player.

In this connection, the management of this firm finds that the selection of the merchandise which it puts in its "Iron Claw" machines is the most vital factor in the continued success of the business. The company constantly is on the lookout for merchandise of known quality and real merit, for use in its machines, Give a player a fair chance to dig out something practical and of real quality and he becomes a regular player, the management theorizes.

Another thing that is important in the selection of merchandise for the machines is to match the merchandise with the store or shop where the machine is on exhibit. For example, the company does not put pipes or cigars or even cigarette lighters in a machine which is on exhibit in a cigar store. That would be competing with the location owner, and that tends to break down the enthusiasm and goodwill of the owner of the location, the company finds.

Merchandise for the machines is selected to fit the individual location, both from the standpoint of competing with the location and from the viewpoint of the average customer of the place. In a bar frequented by more than the average number of women, for example, the company makes a point of including in the merchandise on display a lot of cosmetics and other articles with a special appeal to women. This not only helps to attract women players but it arouses their interest to the extent of their inducing their escorts to play the machine.

Another basic factor in making a profit from this type of coin machine, this company finds, is care in the selection of men to service the machines—and servicing them regularly.

This is surprisingly difficult, the organization has found, and it is possible to hire

a crew of honest, reliable men only after careful investigation of all prospective employes and then holding service men once they have proven their honesty and ability. All service men are under bond.

It is easy for a dishonest service man to make off with a great deal of merchandise over a comparatively short period of time, the company has found by woeful experience; and only a man who has the best of references or who has proven his integrity in some other manner is put to work on a service route,

A machine in poor order is a dead machine, carrying an investment and earning nothing for either the operator or the location owner, the company management constantly emphasizes to its service men. Accordingly, every one of the nearly 100 machines is serviced regularly twice each day. Not only is new merchandise put in to replace that which has been played out and the articles that remain relocated, but a service man keeps close check on all his machines to see that a proper "balance" of merchandise always is in each machine to appeal to the customers of each specific location. Each machine must be "merchandised" in basically the same manner as any aggressive retail establishment merchandises its wares, the management maintains, and the policy has added materially to the continued growth of the firm.

Still another thing that has added to the growth of the company and created loyalty in the estimation of location owners is the company's policy of "going to bat" for a location owner when any sort of trouble arises. A man catches his pants pocket in the handle of a machine and tears out the pocket. He demands a new pair of pants from the location owner. The location owner phones the company and an adjuster from the office immediately goes over and adjusts the complaint with the player. These things add much to the goodwill of location owners and cost the company comparatively little, as most such complaints can be adjusted at comparatively little cost, with the proper diplomacy exercised, the firm fiinds.

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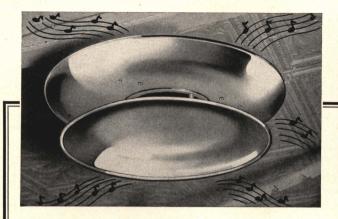
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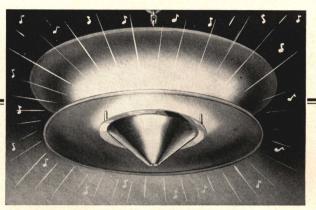
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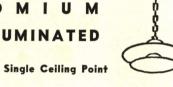


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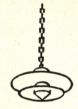
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Two Distributors Named for Packard

INDIANAPOLIS—Interstate Novelty Co. and Hart Music Co. have been named exclusive representatives for Packard Products in western and eastern Washington, respectively, according to announcement by Homer Capehart.

Ed Perry, long prominent in the distributing business and well known throughout the entire west, heads the Interstate firm. Perry is reported to be highly enthusiastic about Pla-Mor's possibilities in the area around Spokane.

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by "Bud" Kinney, who has had a long experience in the automatic music field and is thus well qualified to serve as manager of the Packard division of Harts business. A complete stock of Pla-Mor equipment will be carried at all times.

The Everett office, at 1314 26th Avenue, has been supplemented by one in Seattle, at 3140 Elliott Avenue. Hart declared this expansion was a direct result of his acquiring the Packard distributorship about which he is most happy.

In making his announcement Capehart said, "The appointment of these two new distributors of Packard Pla-Mor equipment gives me great personal pleasure. It carries out our policy of having the line handled by some one outstanding distributor in each territory."

Corcoran Appoints Stemler NW. Dist. Rep.

SAN FRANCISCO—Announcement was made last week by Wm. "Bill" Corcoran, Pacific Coast District Sales Manager for Buckley Music System, Inc., that Aubrey V. Stemler, former Portland distributor, has been appointed Northwest District Representative, to handle Corcoran's business affairs in the states of Washington and Oregon.

Stemler has formerly been manager of Corcoran's Portland office at 807 S.W. 16th Ave., Portland, Oregon. Succeeding him will be Harold C. Ploense, who has handled a major part of Buckley Music System installations in Oregon. Ploense is thoroughly familiar with the operation of Buckley Boxes and his knowledge and experience will prove helpful to operators in the Oregon territory. According to Corcoran, Ploense will continue to render the same high type of service and maintain complete facilities for the convenience of operators.

"Aubrey Stemler", said Corcoran, "has done such an excellent job in Portland for Buckley Music Systems that his promotion is a well-earned reward, and I am confident that his service to distributors in the states of Oregon and Washington will prove extremely satisfactory to all concerned. His successor, Harold Ploense, applied to me to purchase our Portland office, and in selling the business to him, I want to assure operators that they will find Harold Ploense's experience and knowledge of Buckley Music Systems very helpful in every respect"

Corcoran announced, also, that Heberling Bros. had been appointed by him as distributors for the Seattle, Washington, area. In charge of the Heberling office will be Sybil Stark as General Manager, well-known throughout the Coin machine industry.

"It gives me a great deal of pleasure," stated Corcoran, "to announce the appointment of Heberling Bros. as our Seattle distributor. Seven months ago they purchased a considerable number of Buckley Wall Boxes and installed them on their various routes. Since that time they have been so well satisfied with the revenue derived as compared to former wall box installations, that they have desired to take over the distributorship for the Washington territory."

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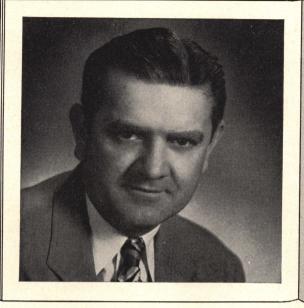
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Eddie Plugs Eddie

BALTIMORE — Eddies cooperate very nicely. When Eddie Lane, brother of Seaboard Sales' well-known Bert Lane, knocked out his new novelty song, "The Two Little Squirrels (Nuts to You)," and had it recorded by Mitchell Ayres on a Bluebird, Tommy Tucker on Okeh and Louis Jordon on Decca, he had something that appealed to Eddie Ross, the boss of Baltimore's Oriole Coin Machine Corp. Ross went nuts about it, ordered it put in every one of his phonographs, and the mutual cooperation has turned out to be mutually profitable.

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HOUSTON (RC)—On April 16 the Houston City Council voted unanimously to resume collecting about \$30,000 a year taxes on some 2000 local marble tables. The tax measure on coin operated devices was passed in 1937, but the city tax department stopped collecting on marble tables in January, 1939 when police began seizing those paying off automatically.

The question of collecting taxes on marble tables and other coin operated machines was discussed at two previous council meetings but each time the question arose about taxing machines and then seizing them. At the latest meeting City Attorney Lewis Cutrer pointed out that taxing a machine did not license it for gambling purposes, and that under the present ordinance marble tables could not be exempted as the provision was general; covering all types of coin operated machines.

Under the Texas State law a city may levy a tax on each coin machine equal to one half the \$30 a year state occupation tax. The State and Harris County had never stopped collecting taxes on marble tables.

According to City tax records Stelle & Horton paid the first marble table tax with a check of \$300 for 20 tables. Peerless Amusement Co. was the second concern to meet the tax with a \$450 check representing taxes on 30 machines.

Offices of Atkins & McClue Amusement Co., a new operating firm, were formally opened in Houston on April 17. Two well known and popular operators, Clyde Atkins and Fred McClure, are co-owners and Miss Mary Beth Jackson, formerly with R & A Distributing Co., is secretary.

R & A Distributing Co., is secretary.

John C. Kramer, former well-known
Texas operator, and lately an inventor of
some note, has patented a device that
answers telephone calls. The thing is small
and compact, about the size of a table
model radio, and is placed adjoining the
telephone. When the phone rings, a record
recites any message absent person wishes
conveyed; when party at other end of the
line "hangs up," the record automatically
re-sets and is ready for the next call. No
wires are connected to telephone lines.
The device is expected to be helpful to
operators not having a full time office girl.

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Pete Arganis of West Market Music
Co., Galveston, reported excellent business
in the island city and predicted a recordbreaker for this season. Arganis is one of

Texas' old time operators — a Greek and mighty proud of it.

Alvis Hughes, service manager for Galveston Novelty Co., Galveston, is just starting his busy season. The company has extensive open air operation along the beach, including one of the largest penny arcades in the Southwest. The season officially opened April 20 and will continue until late fall.

Decca started Texas recording at Dallas on April 21. The well-liked Dave Kapp and Monroe Wayne were in charge of the recording carried on at a local downtown hotel.

Morris Liedecker, Corpus Christi Novelty Co., located in Corpus Christi where the nation's largest Naval Air base was recently opened, reports excellent business

Oscar Acuna is now head of the record department of Towas Acuna Music Co., San Antonio. This Company, better known as Casa De Musica' (House of Music), has customers in all parts of the United States and Mexico. They are generally recognized as an authority on Mexican music.

Bob Newman, San Antonio, was recently commissioned second lieutenant in the U.S. flying corps. Bob is the son of the late Pat Newman of immortal baseball fame, and later prominent as an operator and distributor. Since Pat's death, about three years ago, Mrs. Newman has carried on the business of San Antonio Novelty Amusement Co.

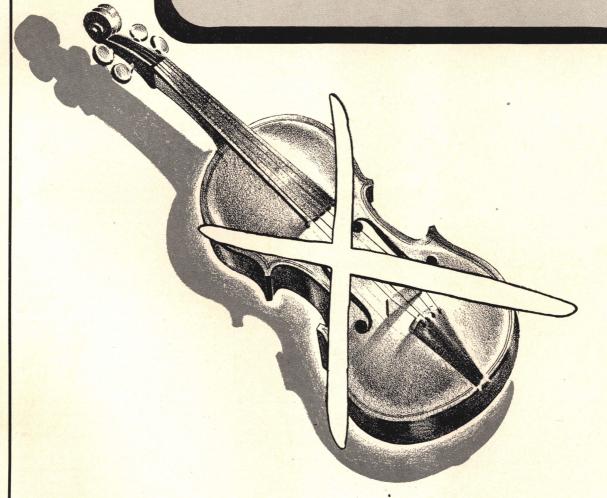
Bill Morris is now back where he first started in the operating business, with the Southwestern Amusement Co. of San Antonio. Morris represented Decca in the San Antonio territory for a long time, was connected with McDaniel Music Co., and others



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LOUIS KARNOFSKY

SEATTLE (RC)—Well, readers, "Guest Column" time is approaching again. A year ago, when we inaugurated this unique feature, Barbara Nafstad turned in a sparkler that won plaudits all over the Row. With Our Girl Thursday no longer affiliated with the industry, the field is wide open.

And that will serve as an introduction to the most extraordinary offer this column has ever made.

The operator, of course, is No. 1 in the coin family. We see him at the jobbers buying new games; we see him at the locations; we see him driving around lining up new spots and servicing them. Eleven

months in the year we try to give you the operator's story. His likes, dislikes, idiosyncrasies, hobbies, etc., are duly chronicled. We try to see things from his viewpoint, to pry beneath the surface and give you the real man.

Okay Eleven months in the year it's Operator all the way. Now—for the remaining month, we're going to veer from established policy and examine the generator that furnishes the spark to the dynamo, the helping hand and the kind word that brightens the dismal days when games flop, locations turn sour, and worry and tough breaks eat their way into the mind. In other words, we're going to turn our guest column over to the little woman—the operator's wife.

Whose operator's wife?

That, my feminine readers, is entirely up to you. For the best guest column writ-

ten by an operator's helpmate and reaching this correspondent not later than May 25, we will award a crisp ten-dollar bill. For the next best guest column we offer a fivedollar bill.

There are only two rules governing this simple contest: (1) No commercial plugs, and (2) Columns must be at least 300 words in length.

The wife of any operator in the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana or Alaska is eligible.

What to write about? There are no restrictions. Gallons of printer's ink and reams of paper have been devoted to the operators' problems. How about something regarding the problems of the operator's wife?

Send all columns to the writer, 5224 37th N.E., Seattle, Wash., who will judge the entries in unbiased manner and make the awards.

It's going to be a boy, and it's going to arrive on July 4. Bob Chamberlain, the bashful father-to-be, who stalled and hesitated and changed dates before finally getting snared at altar-time, is taking no chances of missing out on this event. He has arranged every minute detail with the stork, and all that remains is for his schedule to be formally approved by Mother Nature. Bob, a Heberling Hot Shot, has raided the firm's novelty department to provide toys for the offspring. An inventory check-up revealed these items missing among others: 4 kangaroos, 3 teddy bears, 2 bunny rabbits, and a couple of giraffes.

Ray Pepple, the ex-Joe Hart satellite who was called to the colors as a first lieutenant, is due for promotion, yet Captain-to-be Ray is far from a happy man Stationed at Tacoma, Wash., he was ready for the frenzied flapping of the winged critter to usher in his first heir when orders came to embark to San Francisco. From there he will probably journey to Hawaii, and it will be months before he catches his first glimpse of the tiny bundle of joy. "Nazis March Into Athens!" scream the

"Nazis March Into Athens!" scream the headlines, but all is not lost for Greece. As long as there remain staunch supporters of the Tommy Stamolis type, that country will rise some day, cast off the yoke of oppression, and don the mantle of independence. For weeks Tommy practically neglected his operating while soliciting funds for the Greek Relief Fund. In other words, it was all Greek to him.

After six years as a tractor operator, Dick Robinson's brother Bill has decided to throw in his lot with the coin game. So last month he slipped on the Jack R. Moore apron and went to work in the shipping department. "Cat operating is a great game and there's good money in it," Bill said in retrospect, "but I'd rather sacrifice a few dollars and make sure my health won't get cracked up. The first three years tractor work leaves no apparent ill-effects. But after that — the constant jarring movements raise Old Ned with the kidneys and intestines. Why, I was running a cat once when my stomach split open and the doctor had to sew it up."

Bert Farmer will be mighty glad to work for years and years without ever having a vacation again. In November 1939, when he sold Superior Distributors to Charley Gist and Tex Shields, he button-holed himself and said: "Kid, you've been a workhorse long enough. You're hieing off to some quiet spot and give your long-legged carcass a chance to soak in some of na-

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New Coin Machine Opportunities

Below the Border

by HAROLD S. KAHM

No. 2-MEXICO CITY

Mexico City has a population of approximately two millions, and it offers a wideopen market for various types of coin machine operations. American coin machines, almost exclusively of the music and amusement variety, are in use in Mexico, but the field has scarcely been scratched.

Coin-controlled phonographs are to be seen in large numbers here — American makes—but some of the choicest locations in the city are wide-open, including bars, restaurants, cafes, cantinas and pastry shops. The pastry shop location requires some explanation: They are cafes serving pastry and coffee, and people come not merely to eat, but to linger and amuse themselves as best they can.

Although the Mexican coin slot is adjusted to the ten-cent piece (Mexican) which has a current value of a trifle more than two cents in American money, increased volume makes the Mexican locations just as prosperous as those in the States. The Mexicans love music, and wherever there is a machine it is in almost constant use. Although American music is quite popular, Mexican music holds first place.

Unlike in the States, any ordinary restaurant in Mexico, even the cheapest hashhouse, is an excellent location for a coin phonograph due to the intense love the Mexicans have for music. I have seen a low-class Mexican go into a cheap little restaurant and spend fifty centavos for a dish of tacos and beans, and another fifty centavos for music. The music is as important to him as his food.

Automatic vending machines are virtually unknown in the Mexican capitol and the need for them is overwhelming. For instance, most of the large office buildings here—and there are many of them—have no lobby cigar stores, as is the case in the States. To buy candy, gum, peanuts or cigarettes, the occupants of the building must frequently walk two or three blocks to the nearest store. Obviously they would respond with enthusiasm to the operation of automatic vendors of these commodities right at hand.

For blocks, along some of the principle downtown streets in Mexico City, there are no tobacco stores, or any other place where cigarettes may be purchased. The traffic along these streets is enormous, and there are countless ideal locations for vending machines which can be placed right on the sidewalk by the merchant handling the location, and taken inside at night. The weather is ideal ten months of the year. Such principal business streets as San Juan de Letran, Cinco de Mayo, and Francisco Madero are wide open for exploitation.

Still another advantage for the automatic vendor of any type in Mexico is the fact that although the city never seems to sleep, the stores close up tight in the early evening, and thereafter you may have to walk six or seven blocks to find a place that will sell you cigarettes, such as a cafe, and by no means all cafes and restaurants handle

them. There are hundreds of ideal restaurant locations available for cigarette machines.

Mexico has hundreds of small hotels, and few of them sell stamps. To buy a stamp, you have to go to the nearest post office, which may be a mile distant. Stamp machines placed in these hotels, will do a steady business. And here again we find an excellent opportunity for cigarettes, because few of the hotels handle them at all.

The candy situation is equally promising, because in a large number of instances the places that sell tobacco do not sell candy. The drug stores rarely sell it. Yet Mexicans love candy and buy it in enormous quantities. They simply have not yet been made acquainted with the marvel of automatic salesmen.

Pin-ball games are to be found in many of the bars and cantinas, but some of the most perfect locations in the city are as yet wide open. The pin-ball games make money wherever they are situated here as the Mexicans like them. The penny arcade at Chapultapec Park does a land-office business seven days a week.

Typical of the entire situation is the fact that there are no dime lockers at the main bus station here; nor is there a regular check room. If you want to check your baggage, you leave it with the man at the information desk or ticket window who will keep it for you as a personal favor; no checks are issued.

This lack of development in the coin machine field is not due to any reason save

that Mexico City has only recently become a modern, thriving metropolis and has not yet caught up with itself. The city has grown so rapidly that its electricity production facilities have been outgrown, and half the street lights are not in use to save current, until new electric plants can be established.

Nor is there any lack of prosperity. Last year, for instance, one million dollars worth of American radios were sold in Mexico, and the great majority of cars you see on the streets are not Fords or Chevrolets, but Buicks and Cadillacs. Mexico is very prosperous just now, in spite of the comparatively low standard of living of the bulk of the people.

You can scotch the idea that coin ma-

You can scotch the idea that coin machines are not safe in Mexico because of thievery. There is no more thievery in Mexico than there is in the United States—perhaps less. Merchandise is openly displayed on sidewalks, and the percentage of thefts is negligible.

Mexico City is as modern as New York, in most respects,

One advantage in the cigarette business is that no license is required, and the taxes on cigarettes are extremely low, and the profits high.

Weighing scales have proved popular in Mexico, but here again, some of the most ideal locations haven't been touched.

The coin machine industry in Mexico is in its infancy, and it is growing like a mushroom, now that the Mexicans have discovered the benefits and advantages of this type of merchandising and amusement. If you are looking for new fields to conquer, check up on conditions South of the Border and you may find the ideal answer to your prayers!

Word to the Wise

LOS ANGELES—L. A. Zeigler, local insurance broker who does quite a business among the coin machine fraternity, reports that recently a man (not a client of his) dropped a nickel in a phonograph, turned, slipped, fell and broke a leg. An insurance company paid him \$4512.16. Asked what record he had selected, he replied: "I've Got a Feeling I'm Falling!"

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11 Buckley Box installation in Yum-Yum Barbecue, Portland, Oregon. Operator: Otis Anderson.

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13 Buckley Box installation in Clarence Greenhouse Cate, Venice, California. Operator: Wm. Levenhagen.



Buckley installation in Del's Donut Shop, San Francisco, California. Operator: Johnny Ellis.

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OTIS ANDERSON, Operator, Portland, Ore.

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ture's outdoor wonders." But before making tracks for Vacationland he became interested in cigarette machines. His enthusiasm in this new enterprise surged to such heights, that ere he had drawn a deep breath, he found himself operating a farflung route. Last month Bert sold the second route to Sterling Tobacco Co.

"Now for a vacation!" he declared. And this time he wasn't pulling the punches. He contacted Don Jones, a one-time operator of diggers and cigarette machines, and the two journeyed to the Apple Blossom Festival at Wenatchee. Don, since graduating from the coin game, had become an instructor in the civilian air corps. He chartered a private plane and swooped and spun while Bert got the thrill of a lifetime. "What a vacation!" chortled Bert.

On April 22, the two bade farewell, Bert returning to Seattle, and Don to Spokane. The next day, while in the company of a student, Don's army plane crashed and both instructor and pupil were killed.

It will be a long time before Bert Farmer will be able to look a propeller in the face without flinching.

Heberling Bros. conducted a raid on the employment agencies last month and added no less than three new men to their force. Step up, boys, and let's acquaint you with the Review's happy family. First, there's Al Sebastian, who will be right hand man to Service Ace Harry Bannister. Al has just completed a three year stay in Sitka, Alaska, where he worked as a taxicab driver. "Jeepers," says Al, "after riding on Sitka's 10 miles of one-way roads for a couple of years, it's kind of hard to believe there is such a thing as a four-lane highway.

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Next in the Heberling lineup is Marvin Pickette, No. 1 helper to Rudy Peterson. Marv's duties are that of weight-tester. Every time Rudy sits down or climbs a ladder; in fact every time he plants his 275-pounds on any weight-resisting object,

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Mary precedes his broad-beamed boss and conducts a systematic check to see that existing facilities will not collapse.

Bringing up the rear in the Heberling brigade is Sune Anderson, who has been delegated to the firm's service department.

COININGS ON THE CUFF - This column is going to press in a nip-and-tuck race with Brother Stork, who will be trying to land a five-star-final on the doorstep of Andy Diamond, the Keeney wall box specialist at Western Distributors . . . Dick Robinson is circulating on the Row with a broken thumb. . . . Irving Stept returned from New York in a '41 Cadillac he annexed at the factory.

It must have been a good fight while it

lasted - Mrs. Ron Pepple was seen sporting a new front gold tooth last month.

. . . Charley Michael, the enterprising operator from Bellevue, Wash., has expanded his operations by adding Doug Brandt, ex-Al Gustafson service man. Charley has also increased his non-coin machine interests by buying a part owner-ship in the Chief Seattle Awning Company, right in the heart of the Row.

Puget Sound Novelty reports a sizzling hot reception for Evans' Tommy Gun, which is blasting its way to heavy sales volume. . . . Al Gross turned in his Jack Moore paraphernalia, walked next door, and put on the duds of George Schnabel. Asked for an explanation of his actions, Al replied: "Well, Jack Moore turns out top-notch shipping clerks and George Schnabel specializes in mechanics. I'm making this change just to make sure that the next high-class mechanic George graduates will be me."

Sammy Thomas' fingernails are gone, but there is a wide smile plastered on his phizz, for on April 8, Cecilia Bernadine, 9-lb. of femininity, hit the jackpot at a local hospital.



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HARRY BORTNICK

PHILADELPHIA (RC) — Biggest local event of the year was the highly-enjoyable and carefully-arranged fourth annual banquet of the Phonograph Operators of East-

ern Pennsylvania and New Jersey at the Club Bali in Philadelphia, Sunday, April 20.

Several hundred operators and their friends attended the event which included a fine presentation of musical and variety entertainment featuring the entire chorus and floor show of both Club Bali and the Little Rathskeller. Civic leaders, as well as industry prominents, were present to ex-

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Packard Pla-Mor remote control equipment harmonizes with furnishings and surroundings of any type location. The above picture shows a Packard Pla-Mor remote control installation in the Riviera, Spokane, Washington. This establishment is furnished in pine, and the Packard installation harmonizes perfectly.

tend greetings and good wishes in response to the fine welcome of Association President Charles W. Young and the introductions by Business Manager Frank Hammond and Banquet and Entertainment Chairman Arthur Pockrass.

Among the guests were: James A. Gilmore, C.M.I. secretary; R. J. Rettke, M. O. Gerett Corp.; Homer E. Capehart and Rudy Greenbaum, Packard Mfg. Corp.; Jack Nelson and Cliff Bailie, Rock-Ola; Sam Kresberg, J. P. Seeburg Corp.; Ken Shyvers, Shyvers & Shyvers; E. C. Steffens and Sherman Pate, Permo Products Corp.; Larry Lippitt, Dura-Test Corp.; Doc Eaton, Barnet Sugarman and William Blatt, Buckley Music System, Inc.; Archie Berger, Bally Mfg. Co.; and Jack Williams, W. W. Early and Herbert Handler, RCA Mfg. Co., Inc.

The always-phenomenal career of Eddie Heller jumped again during April. Tracing his steps through stock boy to operator sales representative to head of record sales and advertising manager, Heller has now been named promotion manager for Abe Lyman's orchestra with a permanent assignment to contact all music operators, music associations and record distributors in the country on behalf of Lyman's recordings. Heller's roving assignment is the first such chore assigned by any bandsman in the promotion of greater use of recordings by operators. Arthur Pockrass reports his Universal

Arthur Pockrass reports his Universal Amusement Co. continues busy shipping out new consignments of Buckley Music Systems so that he rarely has a chance to enjoy the music pouring forth from the installations

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test possibilities of new discs. Every week he rounds up the chums of daughter Chickie and in his home plays the entire group of new waxings for them. Rarely have their future-hit selections failed, and frequently he has discovered hits before other musicmen in the territory.

A new coin machine organization was formed in southern New Jersey in April with the purpose of continuing the principles originated by the now-defunct South Jersey Amusement Association. A score of amusement men met at the Walt Whitman Hotel for the first conference called by Jules Obus, Camden operator, whom the group named temporary president. An important part of the new Association's activity will consist of regular discussions with city authorities on best means of complying with legal and licensing regulations. To expedite this, Obus named a special committee consisting of Daniel Glickman, Manhattan Novelty Co.; Martin Leavitt, Garden State Amusement Co.; and L. M. Spector. B. B. Brown was appointed counselor for the group whose name has yet to be set officially.

Banner Amusement Co. has been appointed Pennsylvania distributor for Scientific Machine Corp.'s new baseball game, Batting Practice.

Elliott Wexler of Motor Parts Co., recently named sales promotion manager for the Columbia and Okeh record distributor, pulled the season's smartest stunt by having beer distributors plug tavern placement of the disc titled "Let's Have Another Beer."

Draftees: George Jones of Young's Music, Easton, Pa., and Dave Kauffman, head mechanic at Al Rodstein's Arco Sales Co. Latter left May 9.

Bill Rodstein has the whole local indus-



H. R. Smith, Packard District Manager for the Rocky Mountain territory, whose experience in the coin-controlled music field dates back a long ways, has been successful in closing every county in his district with Jobbers and Distributors for the complete Packard line.

try ahum over his new secret enterprise due to open next door to the Hot-Shop at Broad and Godfrey Streets. Neither an arcade nor a jitterbug joint, the place was definitely due to utilize all styles of amusement

Meantime Al Rodstein is all a-twitter,

awaiting his momentarily-expected firstborn. Some soothing is found in his ability to survey a new spot at 802 North Broad Street, which is much larger than his old

Atlas Distributing Co. has opened headquarters in the heart of coin machine row. Tippy Klein and Sam Weinstein, partners in the Packard distributorship, played host to several hundred operators who were entertained during opening festivities by leading entertainers from local niteries.

Blessed events: Mort Lowenthal, a boy; Bernard Cohn, Amusement Machine counsellor, a grandson; Joe Driben and Max Brown, babies whose sex has not been reported.

Local amusement men are wishing a quick recovery for Harry Wexblatt, the Association's associate legal advisor.

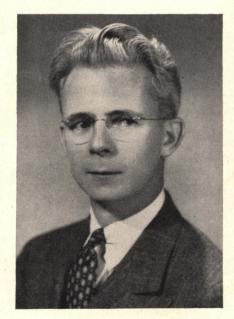
Concluding her work at a professional school, Max Bushwick's wife has opened an office to practice optometry.

Correction

Omission of one of the most important factors in the recent initiative in securing fair treatment of the interests of California phonograph operators is sincerely regretted. To the list of "State groups meeting on legislation" reported on page 18 of the April issue there should be added the Automatic Music Merchants Association, Inc. of San Francisco, whose secretary-manager, R. Spencer, also enlisted the cooperation of the Restaurant Association of California, The California Federated Institute, The Tavern Owners Association of San Fran-cisco, I.B.E.W. Local Union 202 of San Francisco, and the Bank of America, among



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Frank McNichols of Graham Distributing Company, Cincinnati, and Sammy Kaye pose beside a Wurlitzer 850 displayed in the Shubert Theater lobby in Cincinnati.

Novel Wurlitzer Promotion Hitting Public Consciousness Full Force

The past year has seen millions of pleasure-seeking Americans brought face-to-face—as never before—with the unique entertainment value of automatic phonograph music. Displayed in scores of leading theater lobbies, new 24-record Wurlitzers—tied in with top-flight band appearances—have hit public consciousness full force.

Band leaders, theater managers and phonograph operators agree that the tie-in is a "natural." The millions who are attracted to Name Band engagements in theaters, are also the best prospects for location phonograph play. Wherever arranged, Wurlitzer lobby installations boost band interest, and play steps up in all locations in the vicinity where phonographs have been supplied with recordings by the appearing orchestra.

The plan of supplying each phonograph with the most popular records of the particular band, guarantees this increased play. Having heard a famous Name Band locally, the music-minded public jumps at the chance to listen to numbers recorded by the same orchestra. What better opportunity than through automatic phonographs at favorite locations!

Realizing this opportunity to give the public what it wants, smart operators of Wurlitzer Phonographs have taken advantage of free Name Band stickers supplied through the Wurlitzer Company's North Tonawanda offices. When these stickers are

attached to visible record-changer windows, patrons' attention is focused on the particular band numbers they are eager to hear.

Nearly all "big name" bands of national prominence are cooperating in the Wurlitzer tie-in. This identity with outstanding figures in the musical world has done and is doing much to build prestige for the entire automatic phonograph industry. The program throws a spotlight on the logical connection between these bands themselves and phonographs—the most popular outlet for their music.

Wurlitzer Music Merchants in the vicinity of theater appearances have also reported worthwhile location leads, through the Wurlitzer Distributor making the lobby display. Such inquiries are encouraged by the placing of a sign near the phonograph, which tells where and how to arrange for an installation.

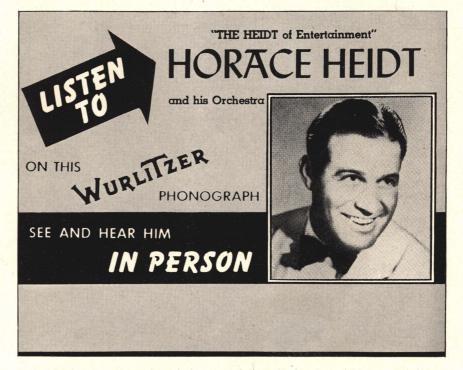
As Wurlitzer Music Merchants are notified in advance of band engagements, they simply request a supply of stickers for display on their phonographs. Stickers, imprinted with all details about the appearance, are then sent out from Wurlitzer.

Increased play—stimulated by local publicity and enthusiasm—is claimed by operators to continue for weeks after the band has played its engagement. "Why not," they ask—"after thousands of theatergoers have naturally taken a particular interest in the orchestra after hearing it locally?"

Fooled Him!

New York—Joe Reichman, the Victor Record pianist-leader, 10 years ago was told by his doctor that in six months he would be dead. Reichman, a lawyer in St. Louis at the time, decided he'd die happy so he organized a band because music was his biggest enjoyment.

Not long ago Reichman received word that his doctor had died.



Typical orchestra tie-in sticker which is attached to Visible Record-Changer Window on Wurlitzer Phonographs.

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ABBREVIATIONS

FT—Foxtrot; W—Waltz; FT VC—Foxtrot with vocal chorus; V—Vocal; N—Novelty; OT—Old Time; R—Race; HB—Hillbilly.

BLUEBIRD

III30 Larry Clinton THE NIGHT WE MET IN HONOLULU (FT VC) SMILES (FT VC)

III29 Vaughn Monroe PAGLIACCI-VESTI LA GIUBBA (Orch V) SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND (FT VC)

I III28 Mart Kenney
LOVE AT LAST (FT VC)
THERE'LL COME ANOTHER DAY (FT VC)

III27 Tony Pastor MARIA ELENA (FT VC) MADE UP MY MIND (FT VC)

III26 Earl Hines
JERSEY BOUNCE (FT)
SALLY, WON'T YOU COME BACK (FT VC)

III25 Joan Merrill I WENT OUT OF MY WAY (V) SUMMERTIME (V)

III24 Sonny Dunham MIGHTY LAK' A ROSE (FT) I UNDERSTAND (FT VC)

III23 Freddy Martin INTERMEZZO (FT VC) NICE DREAMIN' BABY (FT VC)

3★ III22 Four King Sisters
I UNDERSTAND (FT VC)
MY SISTER AND I (V)

III2I Art Kassel
DOG HOUSE POLKA (FT VC)
LULLABY LAND (W VC)

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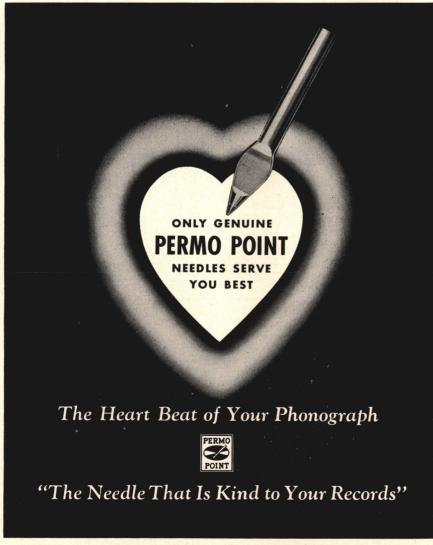
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RIDIN' ON A RAINBOW (V)

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- 5934 Pete Cassell
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- 2 \$ 5932 Red Foley
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Display of the RCA Manufacturing Company at the Northwest Operators Show and Convention in Minneapolis, March 25th and 26th. Left to right: W. C. Johnson, Sales Manager for the F. C. Hayer Co., Minneapolis distributor of Victor-Bluebird records; Joe Reichman, one of Victor's newest artists whose "Wise Old Owl' is knocking 'em over; and Harold Knapp, of RCA Victor.



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1—Amapola				Jimmy Dorsey, Decca						Sammy Kaye, Victor.
2—New San Antonio Rose .				Bing Crosby, Decca						Bob Wills, Okeh.
3—I Understand				Jimmy Dorsey, Decca						Charlie Spivak, Okeh.
4—Dolores				Bing Crosby, Decca						Tommy Dorsey, Victor.
5—Oh Look at Me Now				Tommy Dorsey, Victor						Woody Herman, Decca.
6—Chapel in the Valley .				Bing Crosby, Decca						Glenn Miller, BBird.
7—G'Bye Now				Russ Morgan, Decca						Horace Heidt, Col.
8—The Band Played On .				Guy Lombardo, Decca						The Jesters, Decca.
9—Memory Of a Rose				Jimmy Dorsey, Decca						Sammy Kaye, Victor.
10—There'll Be Some Changes				Ted Weems, Decca .						Benny Goodman, Col.
11—The Anvil Chorus				Glenn Miller, BBird						Les Brown, Okeh.
12—Perfidia				Benny Goodman, Col.						Jimmy Dorsey, Decca.

"SLEEPERS" (Destined to be Big Hits in the Coin Machines)

SONG

Records listed in this classification are unusual—either the tune or the form of treatment, and are proving surprises or "sleepers" in many locations throughout the country, according to information from operators. Any one of these records may break into the "favorites" class above. Operators are invited to hear the following sides with an eye toward discovering a smash hit and a nickel-nabber:

ABE LYMAN: Biggest click in the boxes by this vet leader to date is You're in the Army Now with a vocal sung by his entire band. Timely, too. Bluebird.

MILDRED BAILEY: Her new version of Georgia on My Mind has the phonographs in the east, especially, jumping. All vocal, backed up by a Negro vocal group and a pretty clarinet. Decca.

EARL HINES: Reports are that Hines' new Everything Depends on You is proving a potent nickel- nabber, especially on colored locations and spots where youngsters hang out. Strength of the arrangement is in the

vocal trio. Bluebird.

JIMMY DORSEY: Hotter than a red wagon is this band. Try its follow-ups to Amapola and I Understand; many ops report they are making a lot of money on as many as six J. Dorsey discs of the moment. New ones which look good are Green Eyes and Yours, both with double O'Connell-Eberly vocals, and an Eberly specialty titled

Maria Elena, in which Bob gets splendid backgrounds from three trombones. All Decca.

BENNY GOODMAN: Lovely version of the tune Intermezzo may click as well as Marie Greene's. No vocal. On Columbia.

WOODY HERMAN: Still another version of Intermezzo, this time with a



D. J. Donohue, Seeburg District Manager on the West Coast, is shown presenting a Bronze Placque for outstanding sales showing during 1940, to Jack R. Moore, Portland, Oregon, on the occasion of Moore's recent organization meeting in that city.

vocal by the leader. The beauty of this tune is obvious, and is starting to climb via versions by Herman, Goodman, Greene, Wayne King and Lombardo. Decca.

GLENN MILLER: Tab Ida as a comer. Very Negroid arrangement but appealing to most ears. Tex Beneke sings. Bluebird.

BING CROSBY: Here's one by Bing, with vocal help from Connie Boswell, which is going to be one of the big winners of 1941. It's titled Yes Indeed. Bob Crosby's Bobcats accompany. A zany little tune well handled by this pair of top-notch song-sellers. Can't miss, so stock up. Decca.

WILL BRADLEY: Boogie Woogie Conga and Southpaw Serenade, both with Ray (Drummer) McKinley vocals, appear to be selling briskly, and are worth trying on all types of locations. The conga has a fine rhythmic lift; McKinley's singing and Fred Slack's piano work are more than enough to sell Southpaw. Columbia. ◆

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Interesting CHARACTERS of the Old West By JAY CHARLES

Pearl Hart, Lady Bandit

Only woman to rob a stage in Arizona and only white woman ever to be incarcerated in Yuma Penitentiary are the unique distinctions of Pearl Hart, Arizona's "lady bandit" and now almost legendary figure in a part of the Southwest famous for its bad men and gun fighting sheriffs.

Pearl's excursion into banditry appears the result of circumstances rather than a deliberate departure on a path of crime but the fact remains that she was afterwards implicated in a train robbery which indicates she did not find the adventurous life altogether displeasing. Musty newspaper records in Tucson reveal as strange a career as ever conceived for any plot, yet the world generally knows little of the gun-toting Pearl.

Born Pearl Taylor in Lindsay, Province of Ontario, Canada in 1871 she, at the age of seventeen, eloped and married a man named Hart, first name lost to history. Three years of connubial bliss followed before Hart developed the habit of beating his wife almost to death. She left him, adopting the well known habit of wives from time immemorial, and returned to mother.

However Hart had a way with women, he was her husband and she loved him, so in spite of beatings and abuse when he snapped his fingers she returned to him; besides there was the baby boy whose influence she hoped would change matters.

The reunion in Trinidad, Colorado lasted but two short weeks when repeated beatings again drove her from Hart's bed and board.

Odd jobs here and there, cooking, dishwashing, anything that offered money to support herself and the baby followed for several months and always when one job was lost she moved on to another. Months later she found herself in Phoenix, Arizona and the first person she met on the main street was her husband. This time they lived together for three years and another child was born, a girl. Then Hart resumed his abuse and Pearl sent the two children to her mother, fled east and got a job as a servant with a well to do family. No use. Hart found her and again prevailed upon her to return. They located in Tucson and this time Hart varied the routine by deserting her. He joined McCord's Regiment of Rough Riders. Pearl returned to Phoenix but work was scarce and there are records of several attempts at suicide. She lived through them, finally getting a job as cook in a mining camp at Mammoth in 1898.

Her "house" was a tent on the banks of the Gila River and the hard work and bad living conditions soon broke her health and she quit her job, loaded her few possessions on the Mammoth-Globe stage and started for the latter city. Bad weather had made the road impassable and she found herself back in Mammoth, broke and without a job.

It was upon this scene that Joe Boot, doubtful hero of the occasion, entered. He too wanted to reach Globe and together

they set out on horseback accompanied by two Mormon boys. Heavy rains had made the going so bad they would make but an average of three miles a day. They camped at night as best they could, finally reached Globe. Pearl landed a job as cook in a miner's boarding house, saved her money so when the job failed she was not in such a bad spot. But Pearl's luck ran true to form. Word came from her brother that he was in trouble and desperately in need of money. She sent him what she had and started looking for another job. To make matters worse Hart, now mustered out of the army, returned and suggested Pearl support him and the "work" he wanted her to do was not to her liking although quite popular and profitable in the mining camps of those days, even as it is now.

This time Hart left her for good but Pearl's hard luck was still running strong. Her mother wrote that she was dying and wanted to see her before she passed on.

No money and no job created the right atmosphere for Joe Boot who reappeared on the scene. He was broke but had a mining claim and suggested Pearl don men's clothes and work with him, promising her all the money they made, so she joined him.

The claim proving valueless Joe suggested robbing the Globe stage as an easy way to get money for her fare home and she agreed after exacting a promise that no one would be shot. Joe assured her this was a cinch saying that all that was needed was nerve.

The following day saw Pearl and Joe riding leisurely down the road over which the Globe stage must travel. In the distance the rumble of the stage was heard; Joe went over the instructions again and then the stage swung around a bend coming towards them. As it pulled alongside Joe whipped a formidable .45 Colt out and Pearl pulled a .38 and they shouted a command-

'Stop sudden and elevate!"

Groaning brakes, a sudden, lurching stop told the passengers inside better than words what had happened and Pearl's cry of "Pile out. Keep your hands up and line up over

out. Keep your hands up and line up over there" was promptly obeyed. In describing it afterwards Pearl said that the most badly scared man yielded three hundred dollars. "He shook so he probably would have shook it out of his pockets anyway" was the way she put it. Continuing, "a dude assayed thirty-six dollars and a Chinaman forked over five dollars. The driver only had a few dollars and we let him keep them. We gave each of the passengers back a dollar and I took a look in the stage for skulkers. I found two guns, both Colts. One was a .44 and the other a .45. Them brave hombres had left 'em when we ordered 'em out. I gave Joe the .44 and kept the .45 for myself."

They ordered the stage on its way, advising the driver to keep going and not look around and they headed for the railroad at Benson, riding over the roughest ground they could find to hide their trail. That night they stopped at Cain Springs long enough to eat, then pushed on. Silently they enough to eat, then pushed on. Shemay may rode through Riverside, kept on until they came within six miles of Mammoth where they stopped. Leaving their horses hidden in the brush they climbed up a steep sand-stone bank and located a small cave. Workstone bank and located a small cave. Working their way back into this Joe saw two eyes gleaming in the dark and promptly shot, killing a wild hog. They hid there all next day and at night pushed on.

Joe slipped into Mammoth and bought a few supplies without being recognized.

They rode across the Gila River and headed for Benson. Encountering an irrigation ditch Pearl jumped her horse safely across but Joe missed the jump falling into the ditch with his horse and almost drowning before Pearl could help him out. The horses were exhausted and it began to rain steadily. They camped in the brush, wet and miserable all that day and at night resumed their journey riding until five A.M. when they camped and slept.

They were awakened by a posse rudely shoving Winchester rifles in their ribs and the career of Arizona's only woman bandit came to an abrupt halt. She was transferred from the Casa Grande lockup to the Florence jail, that having better accommodations for women and also being in Pima County where the crime occurred. Here she escaped once, was recaptured and attempted suicide chosing death rather than imprisonment in the dread West, Yuma Penitentiary.

Pearl drew a five year sentence while Joe Boot rated a thirty-five year stretch. After two and one-half years in Yuma, Pearl Hart was pardoned. Three years later she was arrested in Deming, New Mexico by Sheriff George Scarborough on a charge of being implicated in a train holdup but was released because of lack of sufficient evidence

So Pearl Hart faded from the scene for twenty-five years. Then one day a little, old, white haired woman walked into the Pima County jail and asked if she might look the place over. Upon being asked the reason she said, "I am Pearl Hart. Twenty-five she said, "I am Pearl Hart. Twenty-five years ago I spent some time in this jail and would like to see my old cell."

The jailer led her to the cell and left

her there silently contemplating the past. She was never heard of again.

Covered By IRVING SHERMAN

NEW YORK (RC)-It's a boy at the home of CMA's Matty Forbes, Still reeling a bit, Forbes reports his wife doing nicely.

Maybe it's just spring, but rumor has it that Willie (Little Napoleon) Blatt is planning with DeWitt (Doc) Eaton, Buckley Music System official who recently toured the wilds of Brooklyn, to hatch something startling.

For calling their shots correctly and well in advance, brothers Marc (Silent Man) and Mike Munves are still the talk of the town Our guess is that the right credit terms plus a minimum of lemons make this team click.

Charlie (Big Cigar) Lichtman finds the water fine now that he's back again with Federal. From operator to distributor to operator to distributor is his record.

Back from Florida with a prodigal tan, Bill Rabkin beams again in Long Island City as a result of Mutoscope's hitting the town hard with Voice-O-Graph, Ace-Bomber, Drive Mobile and penny movies.

Doing test locations in upper New York State and doing them nicely is Al Schlesinger's Spotlight, which carries 20 different subjects; it's a nickel merchandiser.

Priorities still loom in the news, together with a possible tax increase on games. Coinmen, asking themselves if they will have to run for cover if the going gets too rough, may heed the advice from those inthe-know that care should be taken not to give offense by locating near schools or dangling premiums before young eyes; stick to replay, not free play, is a sound admonition.

Nat Cohn of Modern should get the credit for starting off those "Meet Your Fav-orite-Band-Leader Weeks" in which coinmen meet celebs, the big-shots meet the boys who keep 'em rolling, and everyone is happy-particularly Cohn, for whom more and more Seeburgs roll out to new loca-

This correspondent has been warning coinmen about holdups. Another case popped up the other day due to the exact practice against which the warning was made. In withdrawing or depositing money, do not do so at the same time daily, or on the same days. Even if it throws you off gear, vary your schedule and be safe. Criminals first study the habits of intended victims before going ahead with their dirty work.

The idea that coin machine operation is just a sideline seems responsible for some of the business' frequent ailments. Quite a few newcomers have entered the business with the understanding that they need give it only part of their time. As a result these men have soon lost what locations they had, meanwhile drugging the market by a tendency to unload when the going is tough and on the discovery that more than a few hours a day were needed for success.

No truth to the report that several pin ball associations plan consolidation. A re-cent attempt to form an interstate conference of several groups to unify legislative and operating practices in territories close enough to have common interests probably founded the rumor.

Manhattan Operator Al Shevrin says that one location owner has informed him of an attempted robbery frustrated when he became curious about two men who kept loittering about a machine. Travelling in an



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old sedan, these men are believed either in the slug business or practicing breaking into machines.

Jack Weinstock, whose route has increased handsomely within the year, plans an early vacation and expects to be in town during July and August. He was shy of telling why he was risking the heat, but it is understood that too many coinmen let down during the warm spell, and it may be just the time for drink and special vendors which, we understand, this operator has in

Summer get-togethers are on the calendar for CMA, AMOA and the Amalgamated. Begun on a small scale a few years ago, these yearly picnics and free-for-alls are now standard in the trade, and this reporter can testify that they are anticipated by the most conservative.

Teddy Seidel, the Philippines' ex-featherweight champ, threatens to resume training, complaining that one of his diminutive stature gets stepped-on almost everywhere, and people don't seem to think he amounts to anything. The next six-footer that tries anything, Teddy vows he'll slap down.

Sam (Commodore) Yollen is primping up his now historic yacht and is inviting one and all to heave-to some afternoon. Convoys and submarine hazards have brought a dearth of volunteers, but Sam

swears that war or no war, he is going to negotiate Coney Island Creek if it takes the creek and all summer.

Bicycling has become a favorite recreation among a number of operators, and some are even considering this means of covering locations not too distant-at least as long as the desire holds for a constitutional.

Harry Pearl, Keystone Vending Co. of Newark, has flashed this column the news that he has been named Rock-Ola distributor for Greater New York. Harold Lawrence, who has a rep as a salesman among coinmen, is associated with Pearl, and Moe A. Harris is in charge of the mechanical department.

Assn. Banquet Has Attractive Program

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Undoubtedly its smartest yet, the souvenir program of the Phonograph Operators Association of Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey's Fourth Annual Banquet, held at the Club Bali, Sunday, April 20, set a new high for things of this sort.

The program's 60 pages plus cover presented the constitution and by-laws of the organization, listed members by chapter, paused in memory of Harry Scherdorf,

Charles G. Moye and Frank Viscidi who "crossed the great divide" during the year, and traced the Association's progress from the failure of the Wilkes-Barre chapter through the reorganization of the Newark chapter. Both failure and success were summarized in the closing paragraph:

"... the fact is clear that the Association has accomplished much for the good of our business and nearly all members voice their belief in our ideals strongly. We shall continue to better conditions in our small way and believe that the day is coming for us to realize our aims.

Advertising of sources for needed equipment made the program possible, and the first advertisement in the program—and the only trade paper so doing—was that of the Coin Machine Review, which is the official organ of the Phonograph Operators Association.

Arthur Pockrass was chairman of the banquet and entertainment committee, assisted by Sid Myers, Jack Sheppard and Frank Hammond. Charles W. Young, president of the Philadelphia chapter, gave a most cordial note of welcome.

He: "Would you love me just as much if I told you I were broke?"
She: "You aren't, are you?"
He: "No."

She: "Certainly I would, darling!"

SAINT LOUIS

Covered By

ROBERT LATIMER

ST. LOUIS (RC)—Highly satisfactory to most operators of St. Louis was the month of April — with collections on the rise sharply during better weather, despite the fact that delivery of new equipment is more than ever slow. Good business is continuing without the advantages of new phonographs, according to the members of the Associated Phonograph Owners of St. Louis, many of whom display unfilled orders for new machines as much as three months old. Only one new phonograph was delivered in St. Louis during the entire month by one of the largest distributors — which shows how National Defense pres-

sure on manufacturers has tied up production.

At the April meeting of the Associated Phonograph Owners group, held at Hotel Melbourne on the 19th, Fred Pollnow, head of Automatic Phonograph, won Ed Fisher's monthly attendance prize of ten dollars. Pollnow, who has never missed a meeting, was stunned with the fact that he himself had won something — after putting up prizes himself for several years. The attendance prize has lapsed into two months' amounts of \$20 only once, according to the management.

John LeBan, president of the group, announced plans for a new membership drive, and pointed out that Tom Brutio of Todd Music Company was the most recent new member, joining way back in December.

Joe Spinicchia, head of the J & C Company, packed his clothes during April, took leave of his friends, and answered the draft with a move to Jefferson Barracks near St. Louis. Joe is the third operator to be drafted, and his route extending through downtown St. Louis will be run by a partner, Charlie Burrafato.

An important move was that of Schewe Novelty Company, headed by Elmer Schewe, to a new address at 3024 North Union Boulevard in North St. Louis. Elmer was formerly at 4741 Natural Bridge Avenue, where he operated a large-scale phonograph rental business, as well as a 60-machine route split between phonographs and pintables. One of the younger members of the group, Elmer and Mrs. Schewe are familiar figures at every coin machine occurrence around St. Louis.

Mrs. Margaret Trippe, wife of the Ideal Novelty Company president, Carl F. Trippe, is recovering slowly from a dangerous attack of pneumonia at her home. The phonograph association sent flowers and best wishes at both the hospital and the Trippe home.

Earl Bowman, formerly operating the Ace Machine Shop, phonographs repair organization on Grand Avenue with Frank Scherer, has gone into the Ideal Novelty organization in charge of phonograph sales. Partner Scherer moved his entire shop into the Ideal building.

Martin Balensiefer, who joined with W. B. Novelty Company in January, is spending more time in the country sales territory of this Seeburg distributorship than at any previous time during his phonograph experience. Instead of seeing Balensiefer's six-foot frame coming through the door from day to day, operators of St. Louis now hear of him chiefly through postcards. The company at present is engaged with a huge "Phonograph Sale"; first of the sort in several years.

Harry Plitt, employee of the J. S. Morris Novelty Company, had a bad automobile accident in East St. Louis, Illinois, in early April, and will be confined to a hospital in that city for several weeks. Candy, books, flowers and other gifts from the local association are helping to lighten his confinement.

A great deal of good natured fun is being poked at Harry Davies, president of Davies Novelty Company, as the result of his giving up phonograph operation altogether, and transferring over to the pinball field. It seems that a certain location owner called up timidly in March, asking Davies to send someone around to change the records on his machine. "What's wrong with the records?" was Davies natural answer. The reply was that although it was March, the machine was still featuring "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town" and "Jingle Bells" as

its outstanding discs—showing that the Davies organization had forgotten to service the machine for several months. Disgusted, Davies went out of the phonograph field entirely.

One of the fastest-growing organizations in the pintable field is that of Central Novelty Company, headed by Caesar Pollnow, brother of Missouri's largest phonograph owner. The "silver-haired twins," or Pollnow brothers, have experienced success in every branch of the business except pintables prior to this year, and now intend to add that line wherever a Pollnow phonograph is to be found. Central and Automatic Phonograph, the two main divisions, are now located on Cherokee Ave.

Art Newhouse, phono operator, has moved into a new home in St. Louis County, and held an open house for friends recently.

Air service at Fort Benning, Georgia, has called Paul Rittenhour, phonograph operator of East St. Louis. Paul, whose hobby was a light Cub airplane, has signed for several years as an instructor, and his machines have been gradually absorbed by other operators.

Ralph Denton of Cuba, Missouri, whose string of phonographs and other machines now amounts to more than 200 units, visited association offices recently. Headquartering in Cuba, he is now covering a territory extending for 50 miles in every direction around the city, and has become one of the largest rural operators in the business. Another visitor was Noel Read, former Balensiefer service man, who has opened up his own string of phonographs in another rural spot.

Many operators are still agog over reports that Walter Gummershimer, for-



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merly head of Public Sound System, will re-enter the phonograph field shortly with a distributor's franchise on a new make of phonograph. One of the veterans of the St. Louis industry, Gummershimer knows the "ins and outs" thoroughly.

No member of the pintable fraternity has been drafted to date, according to Lou Morris of the association—"They're all safe because they're flatfooted from carry-ing heavy equipment around," Lou grins. Meeting at Hotel Melbourne on May

18, the Missouri Amusement Machine Association launched a new-member drive, to take in 100% coverage of the amusement machine field if at all possible. The membership fee will be reduced from \$100 to \$25 for 30 days—as an attractive join-up offer. Lou Morris, president of the group, is aiming for a huge turnout at every meeting, and thinks that those few still out of the group will sign up.

Strong interest in baseball, magnified by the pennant race last year, has given baseball tables a strong demand this year, Leo Wichlan of Ideal Novelty Company reports.

George Buescher of Washington, Missouri, visited St. Louis on a buying trip in April which netted him three machines in place of the 11 he wanted. On the other side of the picture, Howard Shervinko of East St. Louis, Illinois, got tired of waiting for delivery, and drove his truck to Chicago, where he was able to load up with new machines at the factory docks.

R. W. McAllister, operator of Louisiana, Missouri, is receiving condolences from friends as the result of a broken arm, suffered when he fell carrying a heavy pin-

Another casualty occurring in almost the same way laid Eddie Pnister of Ideal Novelty Company on the sidelines with a broken ankle. Bones are brittle in this business, it seems. A new mechanic, M. Smart, has been added to take Eddie's place at Ideal.

Dick Westbrook, risen from the days when he carried pintables on his back for blocks, is now attempting to sod the entire county in which he lives in the creation of a landscaped country estate. His new home has a formal garden, shrubbery, hedges, and all the trimmings.

St. Louis' huge streamlined river excursion steamer, the S.S. Admiral, largest such boat in the world, will have more than 300 coin-operated amusement machines on it during the summer of 1941, according to the Strekfus Barge Lines, owners of the pleasure craft.

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LOS ANGELES—"Happy Jack", proud pappy of the "Three Profit Partners" is the cognomen won by Jack Gutshall of Esquire

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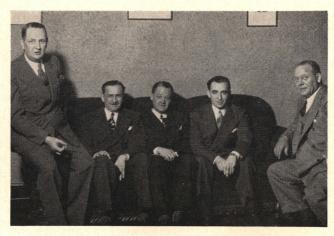
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Photo taken at the plant of the Permo Products Corporation in Chicago when executives of the Brilliant Music Company were announced as distributors in Michigan for Permo needles. Left to right: E. C. Steffens, of Permo; Joe Brilliant of Brilliant Music; Sherman Pate, Permo's Sales Manager; Max Lipin, of Brilliant; and Arthur Olson, Permo President.





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Wurlitzer Effects Valuable Tie-Up With Horace Heidt Movie

NORTH TONAWANDA—In a neat bit of exploitation that will bring Wurlitzer Automatic Phonographs to the attention of millions of theater-goers, the Rudolph Wurlitzer Company has tied-in to the current nation-wide showing of Horace Heidt's Movie Release "Pot O' Gold."

As the spearhead of this promotion, Wurlitzer Distributors from coast to coast will install Victory Model Wurlitzers in the theater lobbies wherever this movie is shown.

As a result, millions of theater patrons will see the latest model Wurlitzers—hear them playing Horace Heidt's recordings—become more conscious than ever of the entertainment value of these phonographs.

Typical of the display is the one pictured above, installed by the Commercial Music Company, Wurlitzer Distributors in the Southwest.

Carrying plenty of eye appeal in themselves, and augmented by the ear appeal of the phonographs, it is expected that every person who enters or leaves these theaters will be impressed with Wurlitzer beauty and tone.

Editor: "Say, this story can't be printed. It says here that the heroine was nude." Author: "That's all right. I cover her with remorse in the next paragraph."

Brilliant Appointed Permo Distributor

CHICAGO—Brilliant Music Company of Detroit, Michigan, have been appointed distributors for Fidelitone Floating Point, Fidelitone Home Recording Stylus, DeLuxe Fidelitone Long Life Needle, Permo Point Recording Stylus, Transcriptone Permo Point and Microspector, according to an announcement by executives of Permo Products Corporation.

Brilliant Music are actively distributing the line in Michigan where they are well known to the trade, having enjoyed considerable experience in the record business.

siderable experience in the record business.

Stated Permo Sales Manager, Sherman E. Pate: "We were especially fortunate in having Joe Brilliant and Max Lipin visit our metallurgical laboratory and production plant where they saw for themselves just how we produce our high quality products." Bob Milsk is Permo's factory representative in Michigan and Indiana.

Mohr Sets

Eagle Record

LŌS ANGELES—Mac Mohr, of the Mac Mohr Company, is reported to have set a new sales record for American Eagle, new "Defense" model, according to a letter which Mac received this week from Al. S. Douglis, president of the Daval Company.

Mac quoted the letter as follows: "I want to take time out to congratulate you for the very marvelous sales job which you have accomplished in the short while that our new Defense Model American Eagle has been on the market.

"Our auditors have just checked thru our sales record and we find that you are leading the distributors in the country at this time. We can only tell you that we are extremely proud of you and of your accomplishment and believe that you are doubly congratulated from every stand-

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It is always surprising to a visiting coinman to see the splendid membership turnout at the various meetings of the Associated Operators of Los Angeles County. The above picture was taken at the meeting of Tuesday, April 8th, when 98% of the membership was on hand for a noonday meeting . . . certainly something of a record for midday meetings in any industry. Curley Robinson, managing director, is shown presiding.

Pictorially Speaking



Herb Klemme, California-Simplex representative, and Ed Wurgler, factory representative, watch as Fred Rice, San Francisco musicman, places another order for Wurlitzer Victories.



"Tippie" Klein of Philadelphia's Atlas Distributing Co., is shouting the praises of Packard Pla-Mor remote control units to the skies. Here he is, second from left, starting off on the ground by telling W. J. Morrisey, Joe Mangone and Frank Hammond.



Clayton Ballard, popular Packard District Manager, covers the states of Oregon, Washington, Montana and Northern Idaho, making Portland his headquarters.

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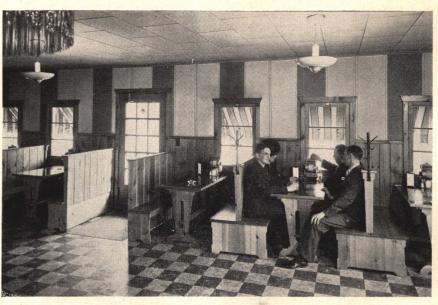
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Scene from "Bolero," a Holly-Movie Shorts production which is being released by Metermovies of Hollywood. The firm reports more than an ample supply of films now available for coin-operated movie machines.



Wherever the name of Wolf Sales Co., Denver, appears, it is superimposed on a map of the states served by the firm, giving the reader or see-er a visual picture of Wolf Sales territory. Wolf's Al Roberts, W. A. Bye, western district manager, Wolf's Wolf Reiwitz, and Wurlitzer's Mike Hammergren flank one of these maps on the show window.



Packard Pla-Mor in the far Northwest is winning more acclaim every day. The above picture is a Packard Pla-Mor installation in the Riviera, Spokane, Washington. Left to right: Jack Davis, Mrs. E. M. Perry, Ed Perry, of the Interstate Novelty Company of Spokane, Packard's distributor in Western Washington, and Clayton Ballard, Packard District Manager.



Steady progress with Wurlitzer Victory models in lining up new locations is reported by Tony Capers, Oakland, Calif., music merchant, here shown signing an order for additional instruments as California-Simplex's Myrl Park looks on.



Stanley Turner

Turner Gets Packard Post

LOS ANGELES — Associated with the coin controlled music field since 1929, Stanley Turner has become service instructor for the Packard Mfg. Corp., makers of Capehart Pla-Mor products, and will make his headquarters at the Hollywood offices, 1025 North Highland Avenue.

Employed by the Yea Music Shop in Sacramento, a Capehart Orchestrope dealer, Turner was spotted by W. E. Simmons, then western regional sales-manager for Capehart, as a good man to have around and employed as service engineer with the responsibility for supervising Capehart Installations in many fine homes in California, and commercial installations using hidden Capehart chassis, with speakers and non-selective wall boxes.

During 1933 and 1934 Simmons and Turner, remaining associated, continued to sell commercial music, handling Holcomb & Hoke Mfg. Co.'s Electromuse. In May of the latter year Simmons became district manager for the Rudolph Wurlitzer Co.—and Turner went along as service instructor.

On April 19, 1941 Turner once again joined Capehart and Simmons, becoming Packard's service instructor. His many western friends wish him well.

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A good time was had by all three of the Happy Revelers at a Los Angeles night club when Dolores and Jean Minthorne, Southern California Distributors of Rock-Olas, showed the town to Fred Neuman, Northern California Rock-Ola Distributor. They each had glowing reports of the unusual sales of the new Rock-Ola Tone Columns and Mystic Music in

their territories, and are shown with their heads together planning a flying trip to Chicago to urge deliveries for their many orders. No wonder they look so happy—they've got Rock-Ola to talk about, which is admittedly TOPS in the phonograph world for 1941!



ABOVE: Part of the plant of Phono-Tel Co., Inc., in Los Angeles where hundreds of new Deluxe Tower Cabinets and Deluxe Bar Boxes are in production for waiting orders. Phono-Tel, a pioneer in the Wired Music field, has enjoyed an unusually fine business since moving its manufacturing activity from San Francisco to Los Angeles.

Strike Shutters Columbia W. C. Plant

HOLLYWOOD—Local 1421 of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers (CIO) called a strike at the local plant of the Columbia Recording Corporation on April 14th.

Union demanded an increase in the minimum wage from 55c per hour to 75c per hour with proportionate increases in higher brackets.

Record shipments to distributors on the Western slope were abruptly cut off as a result of the strike and music operators have been denied recent Columbia releases in the West.

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